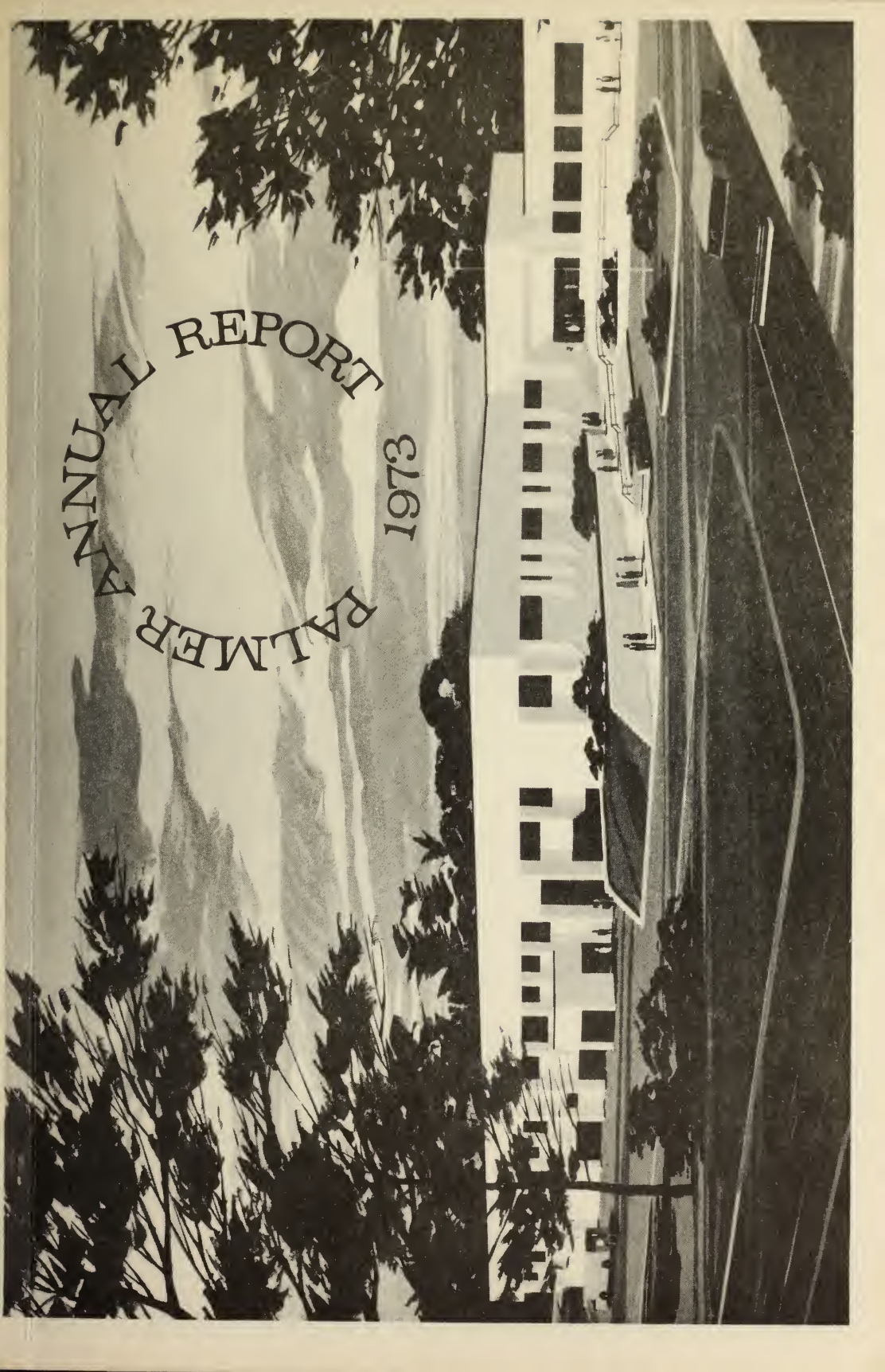


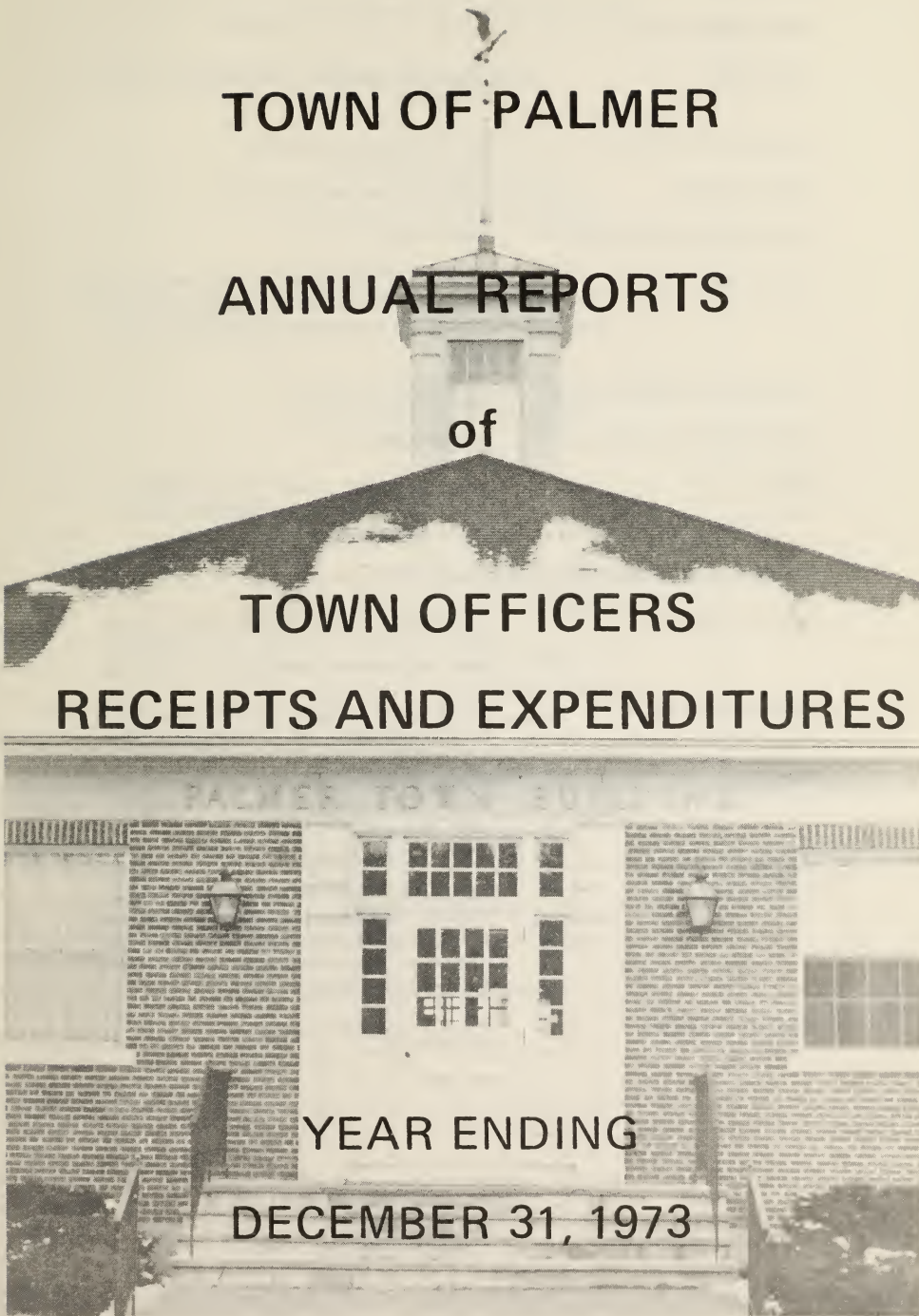
PALMER ANNUAL REPORT

1973



(Front Cover)

Pathfinder Regional Vocational-Technical High School



TOWN OF PALMER

ANNUAL REPORTS

of

TOWN OFFICERS

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

YEAR ENDING

DECEMBER 31, 1973

FACTS ABOUT PALMER

SETTLED	1716
INCORPORATED	1776
LOCATION	About 15 miles east of Springfield on U. S. Route 20
HIGHEST ELEVATION	Mt. Pattaquattic, 1080 feet
POPULATION	11,875 (State Census - 1971)
FORM OF GOVERNMENT	Town Meeting
TAX RATE	\$193.00 per thousand, plus the following Fire District tax rate: Precinct A, \$9.00; Precinct B, \$10.00; Precinct C, \$12.00; Precinct D, \$20.00.
NUMBER OF DWELLINGS	Approximately 2617
PROPERTY VALUATION	\$16,584,095.00
AREA	Approximately; - Land, 20,110.9 acres; water 457.5 acres, total 20,568.4 acres, 32.14 sq. miles.
STREETS AND HIGHWAYS	About 150 miles.
PUBLIC SCHOOLS	Three elementary at Palmer, two at Three Rivers, one each at Thorndike and Bondsville, High School at Palmer, also Pathfinder.
FIRE PROTECTION	Fire Stations at Walnut St., Palmer, Main St., Three Rivers, and Main St., Bondsville.
POLICE	Well-established and equipped department under William E. Holt, Chief, Telephone 283-7461.
RECREATIONAL FACILITIES	Legion Field (athletic), Eager Playground Burleigh Park, plus playground and recreational equipment at Three Rivers Common, Thorndike Grammar School and Endelson Playground, Bondsville
PUBLIC LIBRARY	Central Street, Palmer

GOVERNMENTAL DISTRICTS
AND REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE
TOWN OF PALMER

United States Senators

Edward W. Brooke, Newton
Edward M. Kennedy, Boston

Representative in Congress

Second Congressional District
Edward P. Boland, Springfield

Councillor

Seventh Councillor District

State Senator

Worcester, Hampden
and
Hampshire Senatorial District
Frederic W. Schlosstein, Jr., Warren

Representative in General Court

First Hampden Representative District
Alexander Lolas, Monson

County Commissioners

Stephen A. Moynahan
Richard S. Thomas
Armando G. Dimauro

District Attorney

Matthew J. Ryan, Jr., Springfield

Annual Town Meeting

March 11, 1974

BLATCHLEY'S PRINTERS
Monson, Mass.
1974

TOWN OFFICERS FOR 1973

Elective

Term Expires

TOWN CLERK

John T. Brown	1976
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TOWN TREASURER

Joseph S. Gill - 1 year

COLLECTOR OF TAXES

Stephen J. Dranka - 1 year

SELECTMEN, One Year

William J. Lemanski, Chairman

Gordon H. Christiansen	Thomas W. Haley
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ASSESSORS

Alvin C. Rondeau, Chairman	1974
William A. Coulter	1975
Stanley J. Swiatlowski	1976

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

James L. St. Amand	1974
John J. Dyl, Chairman	1974
Joseph J. Malzenski	1975
Earl E. Benoit	1975
James Longtine	1976

BOARD OF HEALTH

Donald H. Cavanaugh	1974
(Appointed to fill vacancy created by death of Stanley P. Bernat)	
Frederick J. Lis	1974
(Appointed to fill vacancy created by death of Chester J. Marhelewicz)	
Maurice R. LePage, D.S.C., Chairman	1976

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

George S. Gay, Chairman	1974
Walter L. Chase	1975
Robert E. Geer	1976

LICENSE COMMISSIONERS, One Year

Bernard J. Lamery, Chairman

Edwin M. Olearczyk	Fred S. Tyburski
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Term Expires

PLANNING BOARD

Russell C. Marier, Chairman	1974
Alymer C. Giroux	1974
(Appointed to fill vacancy created by resignation of Robert A. Lucas)	
Daniel V. Fogarty, Jr.	1975
Evelyn B. Anton	1977
John E. Chopyk	1978

MODERATOR

Thomas W. Haley	1975
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PARK COMMISSIONERS, One Year

Richard J. DeMaio, Chairman

Walter A. Pluta	Robert M. Laviolette
Gerald J. Aliengena	David E. Johnson

PALMER HOUSING AUTHORITY

Richard E. Fontaine	1974
Aloysius J. Tyburski	1976
William J. Lemanski	1977
Rev. Guy M. Judkins	1978
State Member (appointed)	
Myrtle C. Davis	August 25, 1974

*PATHFINDER REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL
HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE*

Enrico Uguccioni	1975
Robert H. Carper	1976

PALMER REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Neil M. McDonald, Chairman	1975
Charles A. Ramadan	1976
Mary C. Krawiec	1977
Eugene S. Wright	1978
State Member (appointed)	
Stanley J. Strzemienski	February 12, 1978

APPOINTED OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES FOR 1973

<i>EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BOARD OF SELECTMEN</i>	Stanley J. Bigda	1975
<i>TOWN ACCOUNTANT</i>	Stanley J. Bigda	1975
<i>TOWN COUNSEL</i>	Alfred J. Monahan	
<i>COURT PROSECUTOR</i>	Walter D. Raleigh	

REGISTRAR OF VOTERS

John T. Brown	Alexander R. Matera	1975
Sonia L. Thompson	Edward J. Tanczar	1974
(Appointed to fill vacancy created by resignation of Gordon R. Dean)		

TOWN ENGINEER	Kenneth C. Sherman
CHIEF OF POLICE	William E. Holt

CONSTABLES

Harold L. Olson	Henry S. Janasiewicz
Edward J. Jasak	Clifford L. Ellithorpe
Daniel A. Janulewicz	Howard E. Case
Earl E. Benoit	

FIRE CHIEF AND FOREST WARDEN	Gus A. Theodore
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TOWN FIRE ENGINEERS

Gus A. Theodore	Charles R. Frydryk
Andrew M. Galanski, Jr.	

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS	Oliver A. Beauregard
VETERANS' AGENT	Edward J. Salamon

INSURANCE BROKERS OF RECORD

Robert E. Graveline	Joseph A. Kszepka
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SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES	Charles H. Jasak
SUPERINTENDENT OF INSECT PEST CONTROL	Stanley J. Strzemienski 1974
TREE WARDEN	Oliver A. Beauregard
SUPERINTENDENT OF PARK DEPARTMENT	Michael Russo
CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR	Robert Benedetti
AUCTIONEER	Franklin A. Gale
GAS INSPECTOR	Frank J. Zabawa
DOG OFFICER	Frederick J. Guzik, Jr.
HOUSE NUMBERING	Joseph P. Golas
MILK INSPECTOR	Frank J. Swiatlowski
INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS	Louis S. Jacek
INSPECTOR OF WIRES	Stanley J. Pietryka

FENCE VIEWERS AND FIELD DRIVERS

Arthur A. Rondeau	Paul E. Rusek
Stanley Parda	

SURVEYORS OF LUMBERS AND MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK

Howard W. Marcy	Arthur A. Rondeau
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PUBLIC WEIGHERS

Norman Marshall	Stephen Norcraz
Charles M. Callahan	Bernard Fontaine
Rose Nowak	Brian A. Haley
Roland J. Fontaine	Barbara A. Kerigan
Howard Lemon	Richard E. Fontaine
John Wisnoski	John Meier
Catherine Rominak	Richard V. Dulude
Irene A. Raczka	Michael Monahan

Norman Lowell

GARBAGE COLLECTION Stanley P. Juda
TOWN DUMP CARETAKER James Rich

CUSTODIAN AND KEEPER OF LOCK—UP
(Palmer Town Building)
Walter A. Pietryka

CUSTODIAN, Memorial Hall Albert E. Lynch
(Appointed to fill vacancy created by resignation of Robert B. Mackintosh)

COMMITTEES

FINANCE

William Ammann	James F. Russo	Prosper J. Blinn
Robert E. Blanchard	Joseph C. Santucci	Theodore N. Bonnayer
Walter S. Borek, Jr.	Palmer N. Santucci, Jr.	William K. Cole
Charles W. Dean	Edward A. Schlesinger, Jr.	Mitchell L. Dobek
Walter Erikson	Edward D. Seipel	Robert W. Dranka
Walter J. Graham	Winston L. Stred	Robert S. Dupuis
Robert A. Greenwood	Thomas E. Styspeck	Paul P. Frydryk
James F. Hogan	Richard C. Taylor	Joseph P. Golas
Clarence C. Johnson	Linwood F. Thompson	Boguslaus S. Grzywna
Joseph Kaczmarczyk	Joseph A. Kszepka	Louis C. Labossiere
John T. Leacock	Alphonse J. Lasota	Louis J. LaRose
Alexander J. Lemanski	Edward R. Libera	Louis R. Luzi
Robert B. Mackintosh	Arthur C. Lincoln	Walter J. Majka
Joseph L. Marchelewicz	Edward F. Opielowski	Peter P. Misiaszek
Ronald P. Masnicki	Joseph S. Salamon	George W. Motyka
Richard J. McGrath	Stanley J. Salamon	Roger W. Sibley
Edward C. Pelletier	Fred A. Silliker	Leon Wlodyka
Stanley Ridz	James F. Sullivan, Jr.	Walter P. Wozniakowski
Richard C. Rondeau	Walter S. Sydla	Edward H. Boron
Adney Russo	Ladislaus A. Baldyga	Edward S. Godek
Joseph F. Halgas	Chester F. Jackonawski	John J. Lukaskiewicz
John J. Shea	William M. Wadas	William J. Webb, Sr.

RECREATION

Ronald F. Benoit, Chairman	Louis E. Abbate
Lorraine I. Brothers	Paul P. Frydryk
Gerald J. Aliengena	Charles H. Jasak
Edwin J. Rehor	Joseph L. Courchesne
Arlene T. Shea	

O.E.D.P.

(Overall Economic Development Planning)

Mitchell L. Dobek, Chairman	Mitchell Garabedian
Bernard J. Griffin, Vice-Chairman	Mary M. McManus
Ernest Osterman, Secretary	Charles A. Ramadon
Alfred F. Brysh	Marcy C. Krawiec
Harry Benedetti	Lawrence F. Donovan
Stewart I. Swain	Edward R. Libera
James P. Rooney	Stanley J. Strzemienski
Neil M. McDonald	Donald S. Fountain

Stephanie G. Lesniewski

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT FINANCING AUTHORITY

Theodore N. Bonnayer 4/1/74	Chester Gronostalski 4/1/75
Stephanie G. Lesniewski 4/1/76	Dr. James R. Flaherty 4/1/77
Gordon J. King 4/1/78	

CONSERVATION

David E. Johnson, Chairman 4/1/74	Andrew S. Roman 4/1/74
Margaret P. Ziegler 4/1/75	Richard D. Stred 4/1/75
William M. Wadas 4/1/74	Henry L. Lloyd 4/1/76
Jane Golas 4/1/76	

PALMER DEVELOPMENT AND INDUSTRIAL CORPORATION

Dr. James R. Flaherty	Chester Gronostalski
Thomas W. Haley	Arthur C. Lincoln
Leo F. St. Amand	Theodore N. Bonnayer
Gordon H. Christiansen	Andrew F. Frydryk
Linwood F. Thompson	Alexander W. Tobias
Walter M. Krawiec	

BOARD OF APPEALS

Gordon R. Dean	Term Expires 1975
Stewart I. Swain, Chairman	Term Expires 1976
Robert E. Graveline	Term Expires 1976
Joseph S. Duda	Term Expires 1974
Joseph L. Marchelewicz	Term Expires 1974
Alternates:	
Mitchell L. Dobek	
Dr. William Riley	
Attorney Joseph Topor, Jr.	

NEW HIGH SCHOOL SITE AND BUILDING COMMITTEE

Denzil C. Drewry, Chairman	Roland P. Richer, Vice-Chairman
Joseph J. Malzenski, Secretary/Treasurer	Adney A. Russo
Prosper J. Blinn, Jr.	

PALMER AUXILIARY POLICE FORCE

Harold L. Olson, Advisor-Director

Ronald A. Bigda, President

Raymond F. Labonte, Vice-President

James T. Lynch, Treasurer

Donald L. Tassinari, Secretary

Ronald A. Gouvin, Range Officer

Cornelius J. Murphy, Public Relations Officer

Charles R. Berube

Louis W. Iadisernia

Lawrence A. Barton

Robert R. Laviolette

Arthur A. Hebert, Jr.

Thomas M. Dranka

Roland F. Roy

Helena G. Motyka

Raymond J. Ciani

Dianne Jackanowski

Officers assisting Sgt. Olson:

Roger Jalbert

Terrance Ferraro

Elective

CHARTER COMMISSION

Ronald P. Masnicki, Chairman

Robert W. Dranka

Mary Ellen Anton

Patricia M. Holland

Winston L. Stred

Henry R. Trespas

Mary A. Fogarty (elected by the Commission)

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The year 1973 saw many advancements within our town. Substantial progress has been made in many areas and activity has been brisk.

In March the Board reorganized with William J. Lemanski as Chairman, Gordon H. Christiansen as Vice Chairman and Thomas W. Haley as Clerk.

The Two most important projects which were held over from the previous year were the Sewage Treatment facility and the Sanitary Landfill operation. Both projects are in a continuing state going into 1974.

The new Sanitary Landfill operation on Emery Street in Bondsville has been beset with one delay after another. Approval has been received by the local Board of Health, The Massachusetts Department of Public Health and the Conservation Commission of the Town of Palmer. The last hurdle which must be overcome is approval of the Department of Natural Resources where presently, the proposal is bogged down in the maze of government bureaucracy.

The local Board of Health assigned the Tobiasz site as suitable for sanitary landfill operation in November of 1972. A few local residents appealed the decision to the Massachusetts Department of Public Health citing concern over water pollution and filling in of a flood plain amongst other objections. A hearing on the appeal was held in Boston on January 25th. A tentative decision upholding the action of the local Board of Health was received on March 5th. On April 23rd the decision was made final with a condition that the Water Resources Commission of the Department of Natural Resources first determine that the use of wetlands is insignificant in importance and that there is no effect on flood storage or pollution to surface waters.

Our Consulting Engineers, Tighe and Bond, prepared and submitted design and operational plans as required by law to the Department of Public Health. These plans were approved on August 28th.

In the interim, the Water Resources Commission reported that an on-site inspection was made in June and that further information would be required. This data was furnished.

On August 18th the local Conservation Commission issued on "Order of Conditions" after a public hearing, in effect approving the sanitary landfill site. Once again, a local resident filed a grievance regarding the filling in of a flood plain. This appeal resulted in further review of the site assignment and requests for additional information, technical data relative to flooding and an Environmental Impact Statement. Our consulting engineers complied with every request and have proven that the filling in of wetlands is insignificant as is the loss of flood plain.

At the close of the year, after numerous phone calls and volumes of correspondence, the Department of Natural Resources has not rendered a decision on the site. Until such a decision has been made, the town must suffer the inconvenience of the present disposal area and hope that in early 1974 final approval will be received on this particular site. If disapproved, the town must begin the search all over for another suitable sanitary landfill disposal area.

The year 1973 showed significant progress in the efforts of the town to implement the Sewage Treatment program. The Massachusetts Division of Water Pollution Control met with the officials and Consultants of Monson and Palmer on numerous occasions to work out a joint agreement for the sewage disposal of both communities. The Massachusetts Department of Water Pollution Control and the Lower Pioneer Valley Regional Planning Commission directed that Palmer must join with Monson in a combined facility.

In early February the Massachusetts Division of Water Pollution Control approved a proposed agreement between the two towns as being complete and equitable and recommended that the agreement, after review by Town Councils, be adopted by the Selectmen of both communities.

The Town of Palmer authorized the funding of the project in March of 1971 and in March of 1973, the voters authorized the Selectmen to enter into an agreement with the Town of Monson for the treatment and disposal of sewage.

As negotiations between the town faltered, the Massachusetts Department of Water Pollution Control advised the Town of Monson to hold a special town meeting requesting appropriation of funds and authorization to the Board

of Selectmen to enter into an agreement with Palmer. In mid-June this special meeting was held. The voters approved the authorization but since Monson failed to appropriate funds for their share of the cost of the sewage treatment facilities and in effect, indicated it's unwillingness to cooperate, the Town of Palmer petitioned the Massachusetts Department of Water Pollution Control to be allowed to build it's own facilities.

On August 10th, the Massachusetts Department of Water Pollution Control authorized the Town of Palmer to proceed with final planning and construction of it's own treatment facilities without capacities for Monson, provided that Palmer construct large interceptors in the Palmer section to serve Monson in the future. They also stated that no Federal or State grants would be made to Monson in the future for construction of their own treatment facilities.

Another delay was caused by new regulations of the Environmental Protection Agency for an infiltration inflow study and other engineering data which will make it necessary to update the preliminary report prepared in December of 1970. In addition, Diamond International Corporation released new data relative to their flows and loadings which will significantly effect the design of the Water Pollution Control project.

On December 27th, the Palmer Board was invited to meet with Monson Selectmen to re-open negotiations on a joint agreement. The outcome of the meeting was that Monson would call a special town meeting to be held on or before February 15, 1974 to appropriate funds for their share of a joint treatment facility.

The project has been a long time in developing. The projected schedule for future developments call for completion of Palmer-Monson negotiations by the middle of February, finalization of Diamond National Corporation plant capacities by the end of February and to enter into final design of treatment plant and interceptor systems by early May of 1974.

The Palmer Industrial Park project was advanced considerably during the year. In April the Emergency Finance Board approved the application of the Town of Palmer for construction of the Industrial Park and approved the application of the Town for a Grant from the Economic Develop-

ment Corporation in the amount of \$945,000.00 and the borrowing of \$2,900,800.00. The term of the loan was twenty years. In September the voters approved land taking along Fuller Road for the purpose of widening the roadway to accomodate vehicular traffic. At the close of the year, construction is proceeding on schedule.

Special town meetings were held in April and May on the question of adopting a Zoning by-law. On April 11th, the proposal was defeated by lack of a 2/3 majority. The vote was 381 Yes and 219 No. On May 9th, the vote was 720 Yes and 537 No. Again, the 2/3 vote was lacking.

On December 10th, the voters defeated a proposal to build a new 1000 pupil high school by a vote of 458 to 223. At the same special meeting the voters turned down a proposal to provide survey and planning costs for a Downtown Palmer Urban Renewal Project.

In February the Selectmen received the Police Evaluation Report which was carried out by the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration of the Federal Government at no cost to the town. The overall response of Board members was that the report was worthy of adoption in it's entirety. However, the town was not financially capable of incorporating all of the changes and proposals which were recommended. Some of these proposals have already been adopted and others will be considered as funds permit.

Through the efforts of the Charter Commission Committee, a Compendium of the Bylaws, Special Acts and General Law Acceptances of the Town of Palmer was compiled by the Amherst Research Associates. This becomes a valuable reference document and a much-needed compilation of town meeting votes over the period of the town's history.

In February the Board of Selectmen along with civic and political groups protested to the State legislature the re-districting formula of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as it affects the Town of Palmer.

The precinct of Three Rivers will now be in the 2nd Hampden District. The other three villages will be in the 1st Hampden District. The appeal to keep the Town of Palmer intact failed and the precincts will be divided.

The Town of Palmer joined with other Hampden County towns to collectively call for bids on salt, sand and other highway materials. This central purchasing program should result in more favorable prices and lower costs for the participating towns.

New traffic signals for school zones at Park and Quaboag Schools were installed at no cost to the town. Actually the town expended the funds and will be reimbursed by the State. New traffic lights will be installed at Park and Central Streets in 1974 at no cost to the town.

Among other significant projects completed by the town were the completion of the sanitary sewer on Main Street, Three Rivers and the dredging of the Quaboag River. Installation of heat detectors in the Palmer Schools and Town Administration Building was begun.

In December the Board met with area fuel dealers to discuss methods of coping with the energy crisis and the processing of consumer complaints.

The Selectmen wish to note the loss of two members of the Board of Health, Mr. Stanley J. Bernat and Mr. Chester Marchelewicz, both long-standing members of that Board. Their service was one of dedication and devotion and will assuredly be missed.

The Board pledges it's efforts to continue to provide the essential services to the citizens of Palmer, to hold the tax rate in line and to work internally to advance the Sewage Treatment program, the new Sanitary Landfill facility and the Palmer Industrial Park project.

William J. Lemanski
Gordon H. Christiansen
Thomas W. Haley

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
Town of Palmer, Massachusetts

The following dog licenses were issued during the year
ending December 31, 1973.

Males	639
Females	122
Spayed Females	349
Kennel	<u>12</u>
Total	1122

Paid Town Treasurer \$3,483.30

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The following Vital Statistics were received for record
for the year ending December 31, 1973:

Number of births	115
Number of marriages	164
Number of deaths	188

John T. Brown,
Town Clerk

VITAL STATISTICS

The attention of parents and others is called to the following Vital Statistics. It is important that the records should be correct. If any errors or omissions are discovered, the Town Clerk will deem it a favor to have the same reported to him at once, and he will make the corrections in accordance with the law. Parents should also know that a proper return of birth is made as it may be of great importance in life.

BIRTHS

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name of Child</u>	<u>Parents</u>
JANUARY		
5	Jason Mark Bleau	Mark A. and Linda M.
10	Jason Alan Rondeau	Roger A. and Barbara A.
20	Eric Douglas Joyal	Robert E. and Suzanne M.
26	Jeanette May Larro	William R. and Nancy R.
27	Cynthia Ann Lemon	Norman C. and Susan M.
27	Tracy Lynn Palka	Martin R. and Jeanie M.
30	Wayne Louis Pare, Jr.	Wayne L. and Kathleen M.
FEBRUARY		
10	Jason Maslon	Walter S. and Carol A.
11	Brian Joseph Rollet	Francis J. and Ann M.
14	Margerite Elizabeth Cormier	Robert J. and Patricia M.
14	Todd Adam Hyland	John F. and Faith L.
14	Heather Jean Patnaude	Richard P. and Donna L.
14	Moria Joyce Walsh	Michael H. and Cynthia L.
16	Kelly Ann Sullivan	Daniel W. and Maryrose
17	Alexander Kenneth Robert	Raymond A. and Shirley L.
27	Keith Wallace Guzik	Richard J. and Flora M.
MARCH		
1	Russell Arthur Benson	Carl L. and Mary T.
1	Cassandra Aurore Mann	Francis W. and Theresa I.
2	Laura Ann Minkley	Peter K. and Susan M.
3	Shelly Marie Bak	John J. and Barbara J.
9	Jennifer Lynn Tucker	Richard H. and Linda A.
13	Jason Howard Harrison	James E. and Melinda M.
20	Derek John Kusek	John J. and Cynthia G.
29	Elizabeth Liane Gowen	Richard H. and Liane D.
APRIL		
3	Jodie Marie Pentland	Thomas M. and Holly E.
12	Roger Allen Ely, Jr.	Roger A. and Deborah J.
16	Michael David Opielowski	David R. and Helen N.
18	Maureen Margaret Cormier	Gerard J. and Jeanne
24	Danny James Roy	Raymond J. and Jean F.
MAY		
2	Aaron Bruce Leland	Howard A. and Linda L.
5	Jenifer Lynn Banford	Robert B. and Kathie I.
6	Joseph John Scott	Clifford J. and Kathleen M.
6	Jenifer Carol Scott	Clifford J. and Kathleen M.
6	Brian Anthony White	William D. and Frances A.
10	Shawn Michael Deschenes	Adrien G. and Paulette I.
11	Rickey David Leroux	David L. and Judy A.
12	Rodney Jerome Chalue	Robert E. and Janice F.
19	Paula Ann Therrien	Moril A. and Patricia A.
20	Rachel Adella Casavant	Dennis A. and Mary A.
22	Walter Bernard Grummell	Walter P. and Cindy S.
22	Vicki Lynn Kapinos	Stanley M. and Virginia L.
24	Jeremiah Daniel Hawk	James M. and Carol A.
30	Marc Henry Grimshaw	Robert H. and Susan A.
30	Daniel Charles O'Brien	John D. and Margaret A.
31	Jamie Patrick Mayberry	Paul C. and Patricia A.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name of Child</u>	<u>Parents</u>
JUNE		
1	Caroline Lee Chmura	John J. and Mary L.
9	Alison Jo Minnie	Leonard R. and Joann
20	Nicole Anne Carbonneau	Robert J. and Estelle M.
20	David Alan Wood	Gary M. and Joanne P.
26	Matthew James Mucher	Coulson S. and Miriam L.
27	RaeAnn Elizabeth Darling	Robert J. and Joyce A.
27	Jaqueline Marie Moran	Raymond F., Jr. and Esther L.
27	Robin Ann Sampson	Phillip L. and Debra M.
27	Christopher Michael Smith	Ralph E. and Sharon L.
JULY		
2	Holly Ann Arsenault	Ronald E. and Susan S.
11	Jennifer Alma Edwards	Bruce Raymond and Vicki E.
12	Laura Millie Pascale	Ernest V. and Patricia M.
13	Kathrine Yvonne Jope	Ronald D. and Rita M.
16	Daniel Patrick Swain	Robert C. and Sandra A.
17	Michael David Veasie	David R. and Madeline L.
23	Nicole Jene Bernet	John N., Jr. and Ilona G.
29	Nicole Louise Ricci	Lawrence R. and Mary Lou
31	Mark Anthony Sasur	Anthony S. and Cheryll L.
AUGUST		
1	Francine Marie Kieltyka	Joseph J., Jr. and Diane I.
1	Rachel Chantel Symons	Stephen J. and Diane F.
5	Damian Christian Sarrette	David L. and Donna M.
7	Harry Louis DeBoise, Jr.	Harry L., Sr. and Antonia
9	Jeremy Peter Smith	Jonathan P. and Patricia E.
19	Gregory William Gibb	Robert G. and Christine M.
19	Melissa Lynn Martin	Romeo P. and June F.
19	Scott David Szaban	Paul A. and Sharlene
21	Jolene Halgas	Joseph F. and Elizabeth A.
24	Marc Vincent Mombourquette	Paul V. and Meredith L.
24	Michael Thomas Zabawa	Thomas S. and Peggy A.
28	Holly Martine Rachmaciej	Theodore W. and Joan P.
SEPTEMBER		
15	Lisa Marie Vreeland	Bruce G. and Carolyn A.
16	Stuart Clinton Hazen, Jr.	Stuart C., Sr. and Robin R.
16	Karl Walter Topor	Walter S. and Marcia A.
17	Lisa Ann Sabourin	Raymond F., Jr. and Elaine A.
20	Richard Alan Brown, Jr.	Richard A. and Barbara A.
20	John Raymond Sullivan, Jr.	John R. and Janet M.
22	Dawn Audrey Pikul	Martin W. and Arline A.
23	David Richard Minkley, Jr.	David R. and Marie M.
25	Timothy Daniel Reim	Daniel F. and Christine F.
26	Keith Patrick La Vallie	David E. and Deborah R.
OCTOBER		
1	Linette Michelle Murphy	George B., Jr. and Diane L.
2	Michael David Barton	Kenneth C. and Catherine R.
2	Sean Michael Fogarty	Michael J. and Lillian F.
2	Sarah Ann Pasterczyk	Ronald H. and Cynthia M.
4	Sarah Jean Byrnes	William F., Jr. and Gloria A.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name of Child</u>	<u>Parents</u>
OCTOBER		
4	Dana John Tourangeau	Frederick G., Jr. and Joann
5	Melissa Lynn Merceri	Peter R. and Linda J.
9	Carrie Ann Norris	Donald R. and Karen M.
10	Meredyth Aislinn Bauer	Michael R. and Nancy E.
10	Douglas Kenneth Giza	John J. and Carol E.
12	Stanley Edward Zajac, Jr.	Stanley E. and Linda G.
14	William John Desmond	Richard S. and Patricia H.
14	Kristen Danielle Trahan	Robert R. and Jean A.
24	Matthew David Mastalerz	Edwin E. and Joyce A.
25	Tanya Ann Masnicki	Ronald P. and Virginia A.
26	John Francis Bachand, Jr.	John F. and Irene B.
30	Robert Edmund Borowiec	Edmund J. and Carol A.

NOVEMBER		
2	Kristian Jane McCullough	William G. and Brenda M.
2	David William Prew, Jr.	David W., Sr. and Elizabeth A.
4	Brien David Champigny	David P. and Elizabeth M.
11	Melissa Alden Dean	Francis E., Jr. and Pamela C.
12	Kristy Kathleen Cadieux	Richard G., Sr. and Kathleen G.
13	Robert Barron Hills, Jr.	Robert B. and Denise E.
14	Lori Ann Szaban	Stephen J., Jr. and Linda M.
18	Angela Marie Landino	David A. and Rosemary H.

DECEMBER		
20	Colleen Mary Mansfield	Frederick J. and Lynn C.
26	Rebekha Irene Hurley	Shawn W. and Darlene
30	Rachel Ann Lane	Gregory C. and Felicia M.
17	Nicole Lee Pickering	Douglas L. and Brenda J.
27	Bobbie Jo Clough	Gary V. and Donna J.

MARRIAGES

<u>Date</u>	<u>Groom</u>	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Bride</u>	<u>Residence</u>
JANUARY				
6	David R. Minkley	Palmer	Marie M. Lapoint	Belchertown
6	Dennis P. White	Palmer	Joanne R. Huckins	Palmer
12	Thomas A. Minns	Palmer	Darlene A. Santos	Palmer
13	Peter L. Webb	Palmer	Nancy S. Zrate	Ware
13	Gary M. Wood	Palmer	Joanne P. Verrier	Palmer
19	Robert F. Carter	Palmer	Mary D. Buksar	Palmer
20	Joseph B. Pouliot	Palmer	Loretta V. Nevue	Palmer
FEBRUARY				
3	Phillip L. Sampson	Palmer	Debra M. Piechota	Palmer
17	Aime J. Baldyga	Palmer	Diane Trespas	Palmer
17	Daniel K. Brothers	Palmer	Beatrice A. Marks	Monson
17	Gary V. Clough	Palmer	Donna J. Wilkinson	Palmer
17	Peter R. Merceri	Palmer	Linda J. Rich	Palmer
17	Robert P. Putek	Monson	Janet Kusek	Palmer
24	Carl L. Girouard	Palmer	Dianne M. Whelihan	Holyoke
24	Larry J. Jandrow	Palmer	Doreen Gresko	Andover, Conn.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Groom</u>	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Bride</u>	<u>Residence</u>
MARCH				
3	Harold M. Bose, Jr.	Ware	Cheryl A. Smith	Palmer
3	Randy J. Smith	Palmer	Jacqueline A. LaForest	Palmer
17	Urban G. Casavant	Palmer	Donna L. Morin	Monson
24	Allen P. Raymond	Palmer	Ina I. Martin	Woodbury, Vermont
31	Michael J. Fogarty	Palmer	Lillian F. Pereira	Palmer
APRIL				
6	Benjamin D. Bridges	Palmer	Marjorie R. Grady	Palmer
6	Michael A. Carlson	Palmer	Deborah J. Wise	Springfield
7	Robert F. Drown	Ludlow	Carol A. Merceri	Palmer
7	Robert J. St. Amant	Palmer	Rose M. Sansoucy	Palmer
13	Richard J. Wood	Palmer	Kathleen R. Malouin	Springfield
14	Alfred W. Martell	Palmer	Joyce M. DiSantis	Ware
14	Albert J. Boone, Jr.	Palmer	Kathleen A. Rondeau	Palmer
14	Richard S. Desmond	Palmer	Patricia Grimes	Palmer
14	Lawrence N. Gelinas	Monson	Marlene D. Wilk	Palmer
21	Arthur F. Cormier	Palmer	Flora T. DeMarco	Wilbraham
21	Alan R. Gouvin	Palmer	Marguerite T. Chapin	Palmer
21	Robert S. Kennedy, Jr.	Palmer	Jane R. Straight	Palmer
28	Clark Boisvert	Pownal, Vt.	Antonia A. Dohms	Palmer
28	Alorius Fontaine	Chicopee	Eva A. Surprenant	Palmer
28	Marshall L. Harris	Monson	Patricia A. Kline	Monson
28	James J. Shea	Palmer	Valarie M. Madison	Ware
28	Gregory W. Shumway	Springfield	Pauline I. Nahabedian	Palmer
MAY				
5	Justin P. Mancini	Palmer	Laverne V. Shugart	Palmer
11	Robert M. Skaza	Palmer	Hildegard B. Marshall	Palmer
12	Earl H. Chaffee	Palmer	Kathleen M. Backus	Palmer
12	Richard Grzembski	Sturbridge	Mary A. Rourke	Palmer
12	John R. Mastalerz	Palmer	Suzanna F. Pobieglo	Palmer
14	Donald E. S. Fuller, Sr.	Palmer	Jean A. Dupont	Palmer
18	Martin B. Magoon	Southbridge	Andrea M. Santos	Palmer
19	Francis U. Benoit	Palmer	Cheryl A. Robbins	Monson
19	William E. Skelley	Palmer	Sherry M. Pieczarka	Holyoke
26	Lawrence J. Brissette	West Warren	Lois Clough	Palmer
26	William R. Dubuque	Palmer	Diane M. Banach	Palmer
26	Daniel A. Duval	Palmer	Madeline Ruszczyk	Palmer
26	Robert J. Florek	Palmer	Darlene M. Selvatico	Palmer
West Springfield				
27	David F. Supczak	Belchertown	Regina M. Ligus	Palmer
29	John P. Mentink	Palmer	Mary S. Marciano	Danbury, Conn.
JUNE				
1	Dennis M. Harford	Palmer	Juanita J. Lovern	Palmer
2	Paul E. Smith	Springfield	Susan A. Messier	Palmer
9	Paul J. Boissy	Palmer	Denise E. Beaulieu	Chicopee Falls
9	Edmund J. Stokowski, Jr.	Palmer	Renee M. Patnode	Ludlow
10	John H. Mumper	Palmer	Linda J. Everitt	Springfield
16	Kenneth C. Barton	Palmer	Catherine R. Rourke	Palmer
16	Blane C. Bostock	West Suffield, Conn.	Jeanne M. Stewart	Palmer
16	Terry E. Hawk	Palmer	Lillian J. Chase	Palmer
16	Stephen L. Marhelewicz	Palmer	Diane M. Ramadon	Palmer
16	Thomas C. McNaughton	Brownsville, Vt.	Joy E. Naglack	Palmer
16	Arthur E. Savard	South Easton	Regina A. Guaraldi	Palmer

<u>Date</u>	<u>Groom</u>	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Bride</u>	<u>Residence</u>
17	John L. Chiaravalle	Springfield	Debra J. Hall	Palmer
23	John J. O'Neil	Ware	Jo-Ann C. Disley	Palmer
23	Randall G. Sleeth	Amherst	Linda L. Chase	Palmer
24	Nelson S. Fontaine, Sr.	Palmer	Dolores C. Shackett	Springfield
24	Morey A. Gottesman	Tenafly, N.J.	Susan M. Durocher	Palmer
25	Richard D. Boynton	Wilbraham	Marlene A. King	Palmer
28	Michael J. Bucior	Palmer	Sandra J. Duda	Palmer
30	Francis W. Bessette	Palmer	Jeannette C. Arcouette	Agawam
30	Phillip D. LaRoche	Palmer	June J. Lessard	Palmer
30	Ronald W. Lemanski	Palmer	Marilyn T. Trela	Palmer
30	Edmund E. Lucas	Palmer	Janet H. Rogers	Palmer
30	Edwin I. Marco	Palmer	Kathleen R. Milton	Ware
30	William R. Matrow, Jr.	Monson	Shirley A. Pinsonnault	Palmer
30	William F. Popek	Worcester	Teresa M. Scovera	Palmer
30	Frank P. Zawalski	West Warren	Nancy A. Pobieglo	Palmer
JULY				
3	Daniel J. Gunther	Palmer	Charlotte M. Higgins	Palmer
7	Bruce P. Bleau	Palmer	Carolyn R. Pikul	Palmer
7	George E. Gilman	Palmer	Cathleen M. Salvador	Scituate
7	Kenneth A. Kulis	Williamstown, Vt.	Dolores A. Gomez	Williamstown, Vt.
7	Michael P. McBride	Ware	Kathleen A. Tucker	Palmer
7	Raymond B. Rebello	Palmer	Betty M. Chouinard	Palmer
8	Thomas E. Styspeck	Palmer	Joanne M. Dvorchak	Monson
14	David J. Gouvin	Palmer	Deborah J. Lovern	Palmer
14	Michael J. Hebert	Palmer	Deborah J. Daigneault	Springfield
14	Colby H. Johnson	North Brookfield	Annis M. Ravelin	Palmer
21	Francis H. Brodeur	Palmer	Alma M. Davis	Monson
21	Robert F. Johnson	Palmer	Jeannette Mack	Palmer
21	Rodney J. Murray	Palmer	Debra A. Griswold	Palmer
21	Daniel L. Wales	Palmer	Helen R. Wedell	Belchertown
27	Raymond J. St. George	Ware	Roseann Samson	Palmer
28	William F. Chapman	Palmer	Kathleen M. Hebert	Palmer
28	Arnold E. Christiansen	Palmer	Andrea M. Porrazzo	Greenville, N.Y.
28	Guy C. Lucia, Jr.	Palmer	Cheryl E. Boone	Monson
28	Bruce C. Morrissey	Englewood Cliff, N.J.	Denise C. Chudy	Palmer
AUGUST				
4	Paul L. Rourke	Palmer	Sandra J. Buehler	Palmer
4	Richard W. Smola	Palmer	Deborah A. Kulph	Palmer
11	Robert E. Baker, Jr.	Tucson, Ariz.	Arlene A. Machnik	Palmer
11	David P. Mayberry	Westfield	Patricia A. Corey	Palmer
11	Ronald S. Midura	W. Springfield	Shirley A. Bigos	Palmer
11	Robert F. Miller, Jr.	Palmer	Dolores M. Ridz	Palmer
16	Joseph L. Gelsomino	West Warwick, R.I.	Judith M. Smith	Palmer
16	Kenneth L. Shackett	Chicopee	Elaine E. Owens	Palmer
18	Wayne L. Brodeur	Palmer	Norma Martinek	Palmer
18	Glenn R. Butler	Ludlow	Louise M. Austin	Belchertown
18	James T. Duke	Palmer	Ann Skowronek	Palmer
18	Leonard A. Wielgus	Palmer	Waleria W. Wawczyk	Worcester
25	Anthony F. C. Putz, Jr.	Monson	Carole J. Frenchit	Warren

<u>Date</u>	<u>Groom</u>	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Bride</u>	<u>Residence</u>
SEPTEMBER				
1	Bernard M. Bergeron	Palmer	Linda D. Gosselin	Chicopee
1	Lin O. Miron	Palmer	Lisette C. Lachance	Belchertown
1	Charles W. Smith	Palmer	Kathleen E. Emerson	Palmer
2	Louis M. Hyder	Springfield	Mary E. Misiaszek	Palmer
4	Thayer C. Shafer		Kathleen H. Mangold	
		Narragansett, R.I.		San Antonio, Texas
8	Robert M. Church	Monson	Susan P. Disley	Palmer
8	Charles A. Curley	Bangor, Me.	Patricia DuComb	Palmer
8	Timothy J. Gilman	Palmer	Sandra A. Newman	East Longmeadow
8	Alan G. Peterson	Needham	Jean E. Thatcher	Winthrop
15	Shawn W. Hurley	Palmer	Darlene Atwell	Palmer
15	Stephen J. Kosmider, Jr.	Palmer	Charlene A. Rebello	Palmer
15	Wilbur O. Murphy, Jr.		Sharon S. Noorda	
		Opelousas, La.		Palmer
15	Frederick D. Zdroykowski		Lois F. DiNuovo	
		Springfield		Palmer
20	Martin J. Soya	Palmer	Carolyn J. Smith	Palmer
22	Gary F. Delisle	Chicopee	Nancy J. Cain	Palmer
22	Ronald C. Zisk	Palmer	Cynthia J. Bigos	Palmer
29	Warren E. Clark	Middleborough	Shirley A. Zegota	Palmer
29	William A. Skowyra	West Warren	Linda F. Noble	Palmer
OCTOBER				
5	Michael D. Ablicki	Belchertown	Cynthia L. Rogers	Palmer
6	Henry A. Lamoureux	Palmer	Sharon E. Rollet	Palmer
6	Carl R. Schattgen	Palmer	Margaret A. Kszepka	Palmer
8	Jack D. McHugh	Palmer	Marcie S. Stern	Winthrop
12	James R. Cook	Palmer	Jo M. Lambert	Springfield
13	Preston T. Fox, Jr.	Westfield	Katherine Byers	Palmer
13	James K. Blodgett	Ware	Linda L. Wilkinson	Palmer
15	Roger R. Jalbert	Palmer	Sandra L. Pietras	Chicopee
19	David D. Lusty		Jeanne M. Thompson	
		Palmer		West Springfield
20	Thomas W. Graveline	Palmer	Jeanette M. Maloney	North Adams
20	Joseph D. Philibotte, Jr.	Palmer	Carol M. Konicki	Ware
20	Walter L. Piechota	Palmer	Nancy C. Saletnik	Ludlow
20	Gary L. Stabach	Palmer	Christine A. Reim	Palmer
27	Warren S. Hall, Jr.		Avis M. Seipel	
		Bethlehem, N.H.		Palmer
NOVEMBER				
3	Michael F. Matthieu	Palmer	Patricia J. Morris	Wilbraham
3	Paul E. Rondeau	Palmer	Sandra L. LaBorde	Granby
9	Brian D. Lacouture	Monson	Anne M. Goodhind	Palmer
10	Philip J. Cormier	Palmer	Carol A. Merriam	Belchertown
10	Francis L. Riel		Judy L. Favreau	
		Palmer		West Springfield
17	David C. Gelinas	Monson	Suzanne Grimes	Palmer
17	Leon M. Wielgus	Palmer	Mary C. Collins	Palmer
20	Michael R. Sisco	Palmer	Patricia A. Hague	North Brookfield
24	Daniel C. Lombard		Cathy E. Sisco	
		Brattleboro, Vt.		Palmer
24	Ronald R. Raymond	Palmer	MaryJane L. Cassavant	Brimfield
24	Charles E. Mack, Jr.	Palmer	Pan Sin LeVitre	Ware
30	Vance A. Butterfield		Kathleen M. Currie	
		Westminster		Gardner

<u>Date</u>	<u>Groom</u>	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Bride</u>	<u>Residence</u>
<u>DECEMBER</u>				
8	Albert E. Mason	Palmer	Marilyn J. Davis	Oxford
8	Philip L. Rogers	Monson	Jeannette A. Brouillette	Palmer
14	Andrew J. Buksar, Jr.	Palmer	Margaret T. Demers	Chicopee
14	Everett L. Walker	Monson	Diana J. Chappel	Monson
15	Joseph J. Divittorio		Jane M. Boynton	
		Marlborough		Marlborough
21	Donald R. Routhier, Jr.	Palmer	Deane M. Boynton	Palmer
28	Raymond E. Brodeur, Jr.		Mary G. Sabourin	
		West Brookfield		Palmer
29	James J. Cadieux		Arlene M. Rasys	
		West Springfield		Palmer
29	Kenneth R. Swanton	Newton	Leah M. Lesniewski	Palmer
29	William N. Wright	Warren	Helen A. Carbonneau	Palmer

DEATHS

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Years</u>	<u>Months</u>	<u>Days</u>
<u>JANUARY</u>				
1	Paul M. Russo	23	1	6
4	Herbert E. Johnson	80	4	27
5	Arzeline D. Roberts	79	2	8
8	Joseph A. Leroux	75	5	10
10	Michael L. Piechota	67	--	21
10	Joseph S. Sawicki	79	7	9
14	Armand Arnold, Sr.	60	5	13
14	Catherine A. Dranka	79	1	18
15	Henry Lamagdelaine	78	7	26
15	Anthony Wonsala	66	7	19
16	William Gessing	52	4	1
17	Hjalmar M. Carlson	81	3	29
17	Casimir A. Zieminski	54	7	11
19	Alphonse Mathieu	69	--	--
23	Margaret Donovan	89	7	22
23	Sophie M. Nadolski	77	8	8
31	Vivian Perry	58	3	19
<u>FEBRUARY</u>				
1	Michael Gondek	78	4	3
2	Edward W. Roman	74	1	16
4	John C. Dupre	72	6	24
7	Elizabeth M. Cross	85	6	11
7	Norman Dansereau	60	--	--
8	Leah Brelsford	53	1	13
9	Malcolm W. Hall	62	4	6
10	Mabel E. Jones	75	2	8
10	John A. Rush	56	7	18
11	Charles H. Reim	83	8	17
13	Veronica Borowiec	78	1	--
19	Nora L. Curtin	81	--	--
19	Oliver J. Jutras	73	5	1
20	Frederick J. Sweet	59	--	16
21	John J. Raczka	48	--	--
23	Harry A. Dineen	84	8	29
24	Aldor F. Matthieu, Sr.	71	--	24
28	Edith D. Skoczylas	49	5	19

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Years</u>	<u>Months</u>	<u>Days</u>
MARCH				
1	Leo J. Phaneuf	65	--	29
3	Anna M. Manley	88	11	15
4	Anna Stankiewicz	82	--	--
5	Alford L. Hill	73	5	17
8	Rose G. Squier	96	9	27
10	Vera Gorski	54	--	--
10	Antonio Lanzetta	70	9	28
11	James V. Lynch	51	10	21
11	Edward P. Marriott	82	9	20
11	Daniel F. Williams	79	9	5
12	Stanley P. Bernat	49	8	13
21	Joseph P. Pastuszak	71	2	4
22	Celas M. Camerlin	93	5	--
28	Shirley E. Bokun	24	2	4
29	Wanda H. Guzik	53	8	11
31	Stella M. Skelly	61	7	2
31	Emma Coutu	72	11	26
APRIL				
2	Anastasia Sipavicius	91	3	10
5	John J. Pisarski	37	2	10
8	Foster E. Swett	65	6	21
9	Arthur E. Jenard	85	--	17
10	Robert N. Allen	61	1	2
14	Peter F. Dabrowski	62	9	--
15	George H. Murdock	92	7	19
16	Alexander E. Bak	56	7	19
18	Alice B. Duquette	95	--	19
19	Georgiana I. Gaouette	86	6	3
19	Alice Smith	99	8	--
20	Elizabeth B. Carroll	82	2	16
27	George C. Hansen, Sr.	68	10	20
28	Joseph P. Zagraniczny	58	5	10
30	Urszula N. Jambora	78	--	--
30	Raymond R. Royce	39	--	7
30	Edward T. Sutcliffe	89	8	22
MAY				
2	Catherine A. Blanchard	86	10	1
5	Margaret Slowick	55	--	20
6	Agnes B. Czech	72	5	23
9	Raymond D. Roach	75	--	11
12	Vivian S. Brindley	64	--	20
12	Leonard Gavin, Jr.	43	5	--
13	Mabelle Whitney	78	11	26
14	Mary R. Falk	62	6	10
15	Delia Sullivan	82	11	15
21	Joseph J. Scott	--	--	15
25	Mary L. Ethier	83	--	--
28	Steven J. Chwalek	58	5	6
29	Anna R. Myers	70	7	23
29	Mark Tierney	--	9	22
30	Ray W. Baldwin	61	9	6
30	Mary C. Bowler	81	10	13
30	Ruth M. DeBoise	60	7	18
31	Elida J. Carlstrom	88	11	15

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Years</u>	<u>Months</u>	<u>Days</u>
JUNE				
2	Hosea H. Beckner	95	8	13
3	Alden R. Setnes	54	6	21
7	Frank J. Splaine	78	8	19
12	Catherine R. Cavanaugh	72	8	11
13	Stanley Baldyga	54	9	19
16	Perfecto V. Cotto	25	3	10
17	Chester J. Marhelewicz	48	9	20
20	Terrie Lee Chase	19	1	5
21	Fritz A. Hansel	52	11	8
21	William M. Sargent, Sr.	68	1	10
24	Mabel C. Murphy	79	1	25
24	Evelyn Swain	49	4	2
26	Helen Beaulieu	58	7	4
28	Mildred Potter	55	7	4
30	Peter S. Piechota	56	3	12
JULY				
1	Grace L. Wilson	66	7	7
1	Laura C. Yvon	71	7	6
7	William E. Sird	66	4	--
8	Hazel L. Gathro	66	11	22
12	Theodore C. Croft	72	5	13
18	Catherine Cavanaugh	68	9	29
18	Edgar Levesque	68	1	19
21	John F. Gula	73	1	22
25	William H. Dam, Jr.	32	6	21
25	Bernard F. Kanozek	35	3	18
27	Edwin H. Hine	81	6	24
27	George W. MacKenzie II	23	6	26
28	Ruth M. Dolan	73	9	9
AUGUST				
4	Mark Sasur	--	--	4
7	Elizabeth A. Murry	67	7	5
9	John F. Chaisson	50	9	11
10	Euclide F. Fortier	88	7	21
10	William J. Wenk	72	11	15
13	Elaine Schofield	16	--	--
16	Raymond L. Lamb	39	9	19
21	Yvonne Babineau	68	11	--
21	Anna Pasierb	84	7	12
22	Julian F. Nietupski	78	6	18
23	Valmore A. Menard	77	5	11
24	Rhea H. Brodeur	48	8	27
24	Leo A. Chouinard	76	6	9
24	Armand O. Coache	49	9	12
25	Catherine Crimmins	68	--	--
25	Lawrence A. Paul	33	2	7
27	Eva V. Brissette	83	1	8
30	Corine Fitzpatrick	72	--	--
SEPTEMBER				
2	Arthur R. Jannelle	71	1	7
3	Marion E. Baril	75	5	28
3	Mary C. Hickey	62	2	22

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Years</u>	<u>Months</u>	<u>Days</u>
4	Katherine Tacik	69	3	23
4	Katherine Zelazo	83	--	--
6	Joseph S. Skowyra	81	--	--
7	Leopold Gregoire	82	--	27
9	Ruth N. Phillips	82	5	16
17	Herbert L. West	75	3	4
18	Cyd I. Mercier	15	7	5
19	Katherine M. Czechowski	85	--	--
20	Harriet M. Manley	67	1	16
23	Florence B. Noel	69	--	--
24	Frank J. Sufraski Szufnarowski	84	--	--

OCTOBER

1	Raymond A. Lajoie, Sr.	60	6	29
2	Charles F. Osborn	85	--	10
3	M. Rachel Doyle	90	2	8
3	Fabiola Henault	78	5	20
5	Appoline E. deGuise	74	3	3
5	Louise St. Amand	84	6	29
8	Arthur C. Fountain	79	9	5
10	Frank J. Chudy	85	6	--
13	Vernon C. Faunce	98	7	8
14	Victoria Los	82	4	5
20	Zofia K. Gula	86	6	5
25	Nellie K. Kaczmarczyk	55	3	7
25	James J. Smith, Sr.	63	--	--
28	Kane J. McCord	23	9	4
30	William J. Bigda	58	7	14

NOVEMBER

2	Joseph Jancker	83	8	8
2	Stanislaus S. Midura	54	6	16
4	William McCaughey	72	3	1
18	Donnie L. Hudson	52	1	14
21	Laura Meruisse	72	8	7
22	Alexander J. Niemiec	62	--	11
23	Eva A. Hartley	78	8	1
24	Oliver K. Jones	69	8	17
24	Rosalie McLean	88	4	8
28	Gladys A. Moffett	83	6	12
29	Robert J. Cutler	79	4	28

DECEMBER

1	Ella M. Crimmins	70	4	6
5	Joseph Kowalik	81	--	--
7	John A. Talmadge, Sr.	50	--	--
11	Carolina M. Sowa	83	--	--
12	Teofilia W. Wysmutek	76	--	--
14	John Baczek	77	--	--
18	Stephanie Graveline	91	7	5
19	Gordon J. Chalue	94	6	22
22	Frederick J. Meyer	64	--	--
24	Agnes E. Powers	73	1	19
25	Mary L. Kenyon	89	10	1
29	Fred A. Krawczyk	63	11	11
29	Amber L. Theodore	18	3	1
30	Robert D. Swain	51	8	19
17	Francis Thomas Drugan	55	1	28
18	Stanley Kaczmarczyk	58	--	--

REPORT OF THE TAX COLLECTOR

Taxes	<u>Account of 1963</u>	
Assessor's Warrants - Recommitted		282.15

	<u>Account of 1964</u>	
Assessor's Warrants - Recommitted		234.12

	<u>Account of 1965</u>	
Assessor's Warrants -		
Recommitted	314.73	
Interest	<u>15.05</u>	
		329.78
Paid Treasurer		<u>34.30</u>
Outstanding December 31, 1973		295.48

	<u>Account of 1966</u>	
Assessor's Warrants -		
Recommitted	1,746.66	
Interest	<u>37.00</u>	
		1,783.66
Paid Treasurer		<u>87.05</u>
Outstanding December 31, 1973		1,696.61

	<u>Account of 1967</u>	
Assessor's warrants - Recommitted		1,887.44

	<u>Account of 1968</u>	
Assessor's Warrants -		
Recommitted	2,707.68	
Interest	<u>13.00</u>	
		2,720.68
Paid Treasurer		<u>37.75</u>
Outstanding December 31, 1973		2,682.93

	<u>Account of 1969</u>	
Assessor's Warrants -		
Recommitted	4,146.37	
Interest	<u>50.23</u>	
		4,196.60
Paid Treasurer		<u>195.43</u>
Outstanding December 31, 1973		4,001.17

Account of 1970

Assessor's Warrants -		
Recommitted	15,283.03	
Interest	<u>54.17</u>	
		15,337.20
Paid Treasurer		<u>235.12</u>
Outstanding December 31, 1973		15,102.08

Account of 1971

Assessor's Warrants -		
Recommitted	33,721.61	
Personal Property taxes		
abated after payment	163.00	
Motor vehicle excise taxes		
abated after payment	50.60	
Interest	<u>1,338.79</u>	
		35,274.00
Paid Treasurer	10,628.49	
Abatements	735.92	
Added to tax title	<u>9,359.95</u>	
		<u>20,724.36</u>
Outstanding December 31, 1973		14,549.64

Account of 1972

Assessor's Warrants -		
Recommitted	208,360.96	
Assessor's Warrants -		
Committed	54,112.30	
Real Estate taxes abated		
after payment	4,799.58	
Motor vehicle excise taxes		
abated after payment	2,400.45	
Interest	<u>5,702.08</u>	
		275,375.37
Paid Treasurer	185,634.28	
Abatements	26,472.95	
Added to tax title	<u>6,170.65</u>	
		<u>218,277.88</u>
Outstanding December 31, 1973		57,097.49

Account of 1973

Assessor's Warrants to be collected	3,534,357.62	
Personal Property taxes abated after payment	144.75	
Real Estate taxes abated after payment	9,240.84	
Motor Vehicle taxes abated after payment	2,637.56	
Interest	<u>2,118.19</u>	
		3,548,498.96
Paid Treasurer	2,933,600.81	
Abatements	227,757.23	
Added to tax title	<u>18,474.22</u>	
		<u>3,179,832.26</u>
Outstanding December 31, 1973		368,666.70
Trailer Coach Fees:		
Received during 1973:		
For 1973		4,394.00
Paid Treasurer		4,394.00

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen J. Dranka
Collector of Taxes

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Palmer, Massachusetts

Following is my annual report for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1973.

Balance on hand January 1, 1973	\$ 421,749.96
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RECEIPTS

Taxes - 1973	2,914,930.59
Taxes - Previous years	312,957.42
Tax Title Redemptions	11,900.20
Trailer Park Fees	4,914.00
Federal Withholding Taxes	303,437.78
State Withholding Taxes	90,378.88
County Retirement	28,447.27
Blue Cross-Blue Shield	53,885.57
Group Life Insurance	4,559.45
Redemption of Certificate of Deposit	250,000.00
Sewer Loan - Main Street, Three Rivers	113,000.00
Anticipation of Tax Revenue Loans	2,000,000.00
Anticipation of Serial Loan - Urban Renewal	1,200,000.00
Renewal of Anticipation of Serial Loan - Urban Renewal	600,000.00
Federal Revenue Sharing Funds	81,537.00
Transfer of Federal Revenue Sharing Funds to Police Salaries Account	99,970.00
Grants - Federal:	
Title I - ESEA - 1965	22,726.00
Assistance to Local Educational Agencies Children of Low Income Families	
Title II - ESEA	4,000.24
Bureau of Library Extension	
General Fund Reimbursements - State	
Veterans Benefits	16,033.67
Loss of Taxes - Abatements to Veterans	1,118.90
School Transportation	64,675.52
Vocational Students Transportation	1,200.00
High School Building Construction Assistance	16,734.00
Aid for Free Public Libraries	4,380.00

Vocational Education	15,002.00
Tuition of Vocational Students	10,252.00
Tuition and Transportation of Pupils	
Division of Family and Child Services	735.21
Decennial Census Cost 1971 - Chap.812	2,968.75
General Fund Distributions - State	
Machinery Basis	52,032.82
Special Education Programs C58 18A	36,635.00
Loss of Taxes - State Properties	4,445.04
School Aid - Chap. 70	425,690.46
School Aid - Chap. 70	9,654.98
1972 Entitlement Adjustment	
Local Aid Fund (Lottery)	
Distribution - State	63,672.76
Other State Receipts	
Chap. 90 - Highways	4,997.75
Welfare Office Rental	600.00
Receipts from County	
Chap. 90 - Highways	4,997.75
Rental of District Court	4,500.00
Court Fines	4,256.40
Dog Fund Reimbursement	2,104.00
Dog Refund	1,602.78
Dog Licenses for County	3,483.30
Licenses, Fees, Permits:	
Board of Selectmen	1,577.50
License Commission	9,703.00
Board of Health	361.50
Gas Inspections	252.00
Town Clerk	260.00
Planning Board	829.00
Sealer	912.50
Police Department	2,198.00
Dog Officer	149.00
Board of Appeals	75.00
Conservation Commission	125.00
Other Receipts:	
School Lunch	154,085.74
School Athletic Association	6,280.24
Highway Department - Sewer Connections	2,700.00
Rental of School Facilities	231.00
Memorial Hall Rental	307.50
Use of Lock-Up	600.00
Cemetery Department	460.00
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	150.00

Reimbursement for damage to	
Highway Property	1,039.14
Reimbursement for damage to	
Traffic Signal Lights	395.85
Restitution for damage to Town Building	
(Police Dept.)	88.50
Sale of Merchandise - School Department	5.00
Public Telephone Commission	28.09
Premium on TAN note	2.00
Reimbursement for Confinement in Lock-Up	12.00
Cablevision Franchise Fee	1,074.00
Return of Advertising Cost - Intent to take	
Tax Title	6.09
Settlement of Anti Trust Action	498.53
Off Duty Work Detail - Police Department	6,369.50
Mass. Blue Cross, Inc. - Agreement #632	
Refund for 1971	6,596.00
Interest on Trust Funds:	
Merrick Fund	45.19
Thompson Fund	50.78
Fuller Fund - Schools	53.37
Fuller Fund - Parks	106.78
Conservation Fund	797.13
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	5,107.03
Interest on:	
Taxes	10,777.50
Savings Accounts	5,671.45
Certificate of Deposit	1,093.75
Refunds:	
Veterans Services	660.28
Interest on Tax Anticipation Note	158.87
School Department	106.06
Motor Vehicle Excise	19.26
Treasurer's Department	15.25
Law and Claim	11.65
Blue Cross	53.44
Receipts	9,070,516.96
Receipts plus Cash on January 1, 1973	9,492,266.92
Less Disbursements during year	8,915,624.28
Balance on Hand December 31, 1973	576,642.64

SUMMARY OF FEDERAL REVENUE SHARING FUNDS

RECEIPTS

Balance January 1, 1973	
Entitlement #1	\$84,970.00
Interest	3,651.73
Entitlement #2	81,537.00
Interest	3,710.67
Entitlement #3	97,759.00
Interest	2,682.92
Entitlement #4	49,099.00
Interest	<u>396.05</u>
TOTAL	\$323,806.37

DISBURSEMENTS

Entitlement #1	
Transfer to Police	
Salaries Account	84,970.00
Entitlement #2	
Transfer to Police	
Salaries Account	<u>15,000.00</u>
TOTAL	<u>99,970.00</u>
Balance - December 31, 1973	\$223,836.37

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph S. Gill
Town Treasurer

REPORT OF THE ASSESSORS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
and Citizens of the Town of Palmer:

The Board of Assessors submits the following report for the year ending December 31, 1973:

To be raised by taxation \$5,852,179.28

From available funds

Voted Dec. 8, 1972 Free Cash	8,500.00
Dec. 8, 1972 Free Cash	18,500.00
Dec. 8, 1972 Town Dump Account	5,000.00

Voted March 12, 1973 Revenue Sharing	166,507.00
March 12, 1973 State Aid to Libraries	8,760.00
March 12, 1973 Free Cash	6,000.00
March 12, 1973 Free Cash	20,000.00
March 12, 1973 Free Cash	10,000.00
March 12, 1973 Free Cash	26,400.00

School Lunch Program
Public Libraries
Lower Pioneer Valley Regional Planning Commission

33,851.16
8,760.00
2,102.40

County Tax

174,412.13

State Recreation Areas
State Audit

42,106.58
131.71

Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Bills	1,102.20
Air Pollution Control District	963.99
Air Pollution Control District 1972 Underestimate Overlay	31.84
	<u>322,368.61</u>
	\$6,707,676.90

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS

1973 Estimated Receipts as Certified by Commissioner	\$ 1,160,202.73
1973 Added Estimated Receipts " "	100,762.71

Motor Vehicle & Trailer Excise	327,000.00
Licenses	16,000.00
Fines	1,800.00
Cemeteries	12,000.00
Interest on Taxes & Assessments	5,000.00
Farm Animal, Machinery & Equipment Excise	400.00
Trailer Coach Fees	<u>6,000.00</u>
Total Estimated Receipts	1,629,165.44

State Recreation Area Overestimate (1972)	4,191.87
County Tax Overestimate (1972)	3,557.09

From Available Funds	
Voted Dec. 8, 1972 Free Cash	8,500.00
Voted Dec. 8, 1972 Free Cash	18,500.00
Voted Dec. 8, 1972 Town Dump Account	5,000.00
Voted March 12, 1973 Revenue Sharing	166,507.00

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Voted March 12, 1973 Free Cash	6,000.00	
Voted March 12, 1973 Free Cash	20,000.00	
Voted March 12, 1973 Free Cash	10,000.00	
Voted March 12, 1973 Free Cash	<u>26,400.00</u>	
Estimated Receipts and Available Funds		\$1,906,581.40
Net Amount to be raised by Taxation on Property		<u>\$4,801,095.50</u>
January 1, 1973 thru December 31, 1973		\$3,200,730.33
January 1, 1974 thru June 30, 1974		<u>1,600,365.17</u>
Total 18 Month Fiscal Year Recapitulation		\$4,801,095.50
1973 Tax Rate	\$193.00	
Valuation for 1973		
PERSONAL PROPERTY		
Stock in Trade	\$ 123,150.00	
Machinery	2,195,695.00	
Live Stock	3,455.00	
All other	<u>86,135.00</u>	
Total Personal Property		2,408,435.00
REAL ESTATE		
Land	\$ 2,533,070.00	
Buildings	<u>11,642,590.00</u>	
Total Real Estate		<u>\$14,175,660.00</u>
Total Valuation		\$16,584,095.00

Number of Live Stock

Horses	26
Cows	368
Bulls	2
Heifers	157
Steers	9
Fowl	500
Number of acres of land	18,338
Number of dwelling houses	2,652

RECAPITULATION FOR MOTOR VEHICLE AND TRAILER EXCISE

Date of Commitment 1973	Number	Valuation	Excise Tax
May 9	1,479	\$ 802,900.00	\$ 52,961.15
June 14	1,609	936,050.00	61,411.51
July 30	1,549	904,800.00	59,547.75
August 14	1,289	798,950.00	52,638.95
September 20	898	986,100.00	59,819.60
November 28	966	936,900.00	46,408.58
	7,790	\$5,365,700.00	\$332,787.54

Excise Rate \$66.00 Per M

ABATEMENTS GRANTED

1971 Levy - Personal Property	\$ 163.00
1972 Levy - Real Estate	4,799.58
1973 Levy - Personal Property	762.35
1973 Levy - Real Estate	15,026.00

EXEMPTIONS GRANTED

1973 Levy - Blind
Widows
Elderly
Veterans

3,973.87
14,870.66
94,469.62
54,967.20

ABATEMENTS GRANTED

Motor Vehicle Excise
1971 Levy
1972 Levy
1973 Levy

735.92
26,472.95
43,687.53

Respectfully submitted,

Alvin C. Rondeau
William A. Coulter
Stanley J. Swiatlowski

Board of Assessors

JURY LIST

PRECINCT A:

Adams, Kenneth D.	Gralinski, Fred E.
Anair, Lionel A.	Gralinski, Juanita J.
Backus, George A.	Haggerty, Ellen M.
Baker, Ellsworth D.	Hamilton, Emma R.
Bigda, Frances T.	Holden, Henry P.
Biron, Roberta L.	Ingram, Milton A.
Bogacz, Chester J.	Kane, Frank
Branford, John W.	Lundquist, Ernest V.
Brouillette, Paul L.	Lynch, Albert E.
Bucior, Norma M.	Lynch, William F.
Carper, Leona M.	Mackintosh, Robert B.
Chase, Walter L.	McGuirk, Ernestine P.
Chouinard, Edith M.	Miceli, James
Christiansen, Edna R.	Molleur, Reginald E.
Christiansen, Elsie M.	Murphy, Carol M.
Chrobak, Albin J.	Murphy, Cornelius J.
Corbin, Andre A.	Nelson, Carl H.
Coulter, Walter E.	Nutter, Agnes D.
Crane, Sylvia	O'Grady, Florida D.
Davis, Myrtle C.	Phillips, Janet O.
Dean, Gordon R.	Potter, Ralph F.
Dearden, Sidney A.	Prater, Harriet N.
DeMaio, Richard J.	Reep, Sandra L.
Doyle, John F.	Russo, Adney A.
Draper, Walter S. III	Santucci, Linda M.
Fountain, Donald S.	Scott, Doris M.
Fulton, Myrtle M.	Smith, Francis H.
Garnett, Richard I.	Stearns, Robert M.
Girouard, James A.	Thatcher, Harold F.
Gottsche, Carl J.	Trombly, Mary A.
Grady, John R.	Tyler, Warren E.

PRECINCT B:

Austin, Mary L.	Rondeau, Nora T.
Bish, Jacob J.	Salamon, Stanley J.
Bolton, Kathryn P.	Salamon, Stephen J.
Czajka, Helen	Siok, Paul R.
Gilman, Edward F.	St. Amand, William H.
Holbrook, Stuart L.	Sydla, Walter S.
Lebida, Sophie C.	Tyburski, Emily M.
Murray, Earl J.	Tyburski, Fred S.
Pietryka, Francis J.	Wadas, Sophie C.
Pietryka, Julia B.	

PRECINCT C:

Anderson, Elmer	Jefferey, Stewart E.
Barton, Raymond E.	LaRose, Louis J.
Benedetti, Robert	Majka, Chester L.
Blinn, Mary E.	Misiaszek, Frances M.
Bonnayer, Marguerite E.	Ouhl, John C.
Brady, Francis O.	Smith, Byron H.
Chess, Peter M.	Stockmal, Christine S.
Clark, George W.	Stokosa, Joseph T.
Cole, Robert	Strempek, Edward L.
Daudelin, J. Arthur N.	Swiatlowksi, Stanley J.
Gilbert, Wm. L., Jr.	Vostak, Jane
Gondek, Edward J.	Vostak, Mary
Holt, Margaret E.	Wozniakowski, Walter P.
Hryniewicz, Alexander	Zagraniczny, Joseph P.
Janosz, Genevieve G.	Zbylot, Michael S.
Janosz, John E., Jr.	Zisk, Bernard

PRECINCT D:

Cook, Raymond E.	O'Dell, Kenneth J.
Donovan, Mary C.	O'Dell, Maurice R.
Kowalski, Edward R.	Pollack, Valeria A.
Lamb, Elmer F.	Robak, Edward S.
McCollum, Fred L., Jr.	Shea, John J.
McCollum, June R.	Wostena, Edward S.

REPORT OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
Palmer, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my annual report of the police department for the year ending December 31, 1973.

A total of 762 complaints were issued against 684 defendants, 634 males and 50 females. Delinquent complaints were issued against 30 juveniles. The cruisers covered 200,796 miles in motor patrols. A total of 546 warnings were issued to motorists stopped for speeding by radar. 144 accidents were investigated including 80 causing property damage, 62 personal injury in which 91 persons were injured and 2 fatalities killing 2 persons. One pedestrian was struck and 5 bicyclists were involved in accidents causing slight damage. Two new sets of traffic lights were installed as a protective measure, one at Park Street School and the other at Quaboag School at a cost of \$6,000.00 which was paid by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Patrolman Howard Case successfully completed the Basic Police Training Course held at the Springfield Police Academy thus complying with Chapter 697 of the Acts of 1972. Patrolman Edward Jasak completed the Smith and Wesson Academy Breathalyzer Maintenance Seminar at Springfield in September and nine Police Officers are still taking courses at the Springfield Technical Community College.

I wish to thank the Honorable Board as well as the Townspeople for the fine cooperation and assistance received by this department during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

William E. Holt,
Chief of Police

LIST OF OFFENSES PROSECUTED IN PALMER IN 1973:

CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS:

Annoying telephone calls	1	
Assault and battery	16	
Assault with dangerous weapon	3	
Assault indecent	<u>1</u>	
Total		21

CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY:

Bréaking and entering and larceny	12	
Larceny and attempt	28	
Malicious mischief	15	
Receiving stolen goods	5	
Trespassing	4	
Using motor vehicle with authority	<u>10</u>	
Total		74

CRIMES AGAINST PUBLIC ORDER:

By-Laws and ordinances	2	
Contributing to delinquency of minor	1	
Delinquency	30	
Disturbing the peace	6	
Driving to endanger	26	
Driving under influence of liquor	73	
Drunkenness	88	
Dumping rubbish on highway	1	
Fire laws	10	
Fugitives	2	
Idle and disorderly	46	
Illegitimacy	1	
Lewdness	1	
Liquor laws	2	
Lottery laws	1	
Motor vehicle laws	342	
No firearm I.D. card	1	
Narcotics and drugs	25	
(Possession 22)		
(Operating under narcotic 3)		
No support	6	
Resisting an Officer	1	
Weapons carrying	<u>1</u>	
Total		667

Grand total	762
Parking tickets issued	217
Speeding warnings issued by radar	546

DISPOSITIONS:

Fined	349
Filed	61
House of Correction suspended	12
Probation	48
Committed House of Correction	31
Turned over to other departments	1
Bound over to Grand Jury	2
Dismissed	150
Released to Probation Officer	23
Pending	85

REPORT OF THE PALMER PUBLIC LIBRARY

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
and Citizens of the Town of Palmer

Today in small communities all over America the public library is assuming a more dynamic role. The public library has a responsibility to its patrons to serve and provide great resources of knowledge, to maintain well-balanced library programs and to offer limitless possibilities in the way of culture. The PALMER PUBLIC LIBRARY is endeavoring to fulfill this new role and it is our goal to bring to the Town these services and relate these programs to our community.

The year 1973 was a good year for the library. Our first indication of this is another increase in circulation of books, magazines, records and cassettes (or tapes) over the year 1972. The overall circulation of volumes has been increasing steadily for the past several years.

Because the PRESCHOOL STORY HOUR sponsored by the library last year was so successful, it is now being held weekly rather than on alternating weeks as it was in 1972. We now have a weekly morning session in Palmer followed by an afternoon session in Three Rivers. Both are very well attended. It is more than just a story hour. Two highly qualified teachers, Mrs. Draper and Mrs. Smith conduct the classes. Singing, poems, arts and crafts, games as well as stories are offered to these youngsters.

Mrs. Odneal continues to conduct a STORY HOUR after school once a month at the main library for primary grade youngsters. A most enjoyable experience for them. Volunteer high school students who are members of the Future Teacher's Club donate their time to carry on the monthly story hour in the villages.

The EXTRA SENSORY PERCEPTION Course which was initiated in 1972 was continued into 1973. Interest and enthusiasm for this course ran high and those who had taken the beginner's course eagerly wanted to go on to an advanced class. Accordingly, Mrs. Kiely formed another class for those interested. In addition, there were many new comers who wished to take the elementary course and Mrs. Kiely was kind enough to teach a second beginners course.

The ANNUAL ART SHOW sponsored by the library with the generous cooperation of the teachers and students of the Palmer High School Art Department was held in March. There were a large number of exhibits and it is most heart-warming to see the young people participate in this program. It is truly worthwhile to see these fine exhibits and most encouraging and enlightening to discover what great talents these young adults possess.

A new STEREO SYSTEM and AUDIO EQUIPMENT has been installed in the library and has been received enthusiastically. It is being enjoyed by many and has added much to the library in that we can offer you better music listening.

In September the annual SUMMER READING CLUB was climaxed with the performance of DOMINQUE, a TV personality, who put on an exciting puppet show for the children. More than 70 children participated in this program.

In October the library sponsored a lecture by noted writer and editor in the field of psychiatry, Miss Flora Rheta Schreiber. Miss Schreiber, author of the best-selling book SYBIL, gave an interesting lecture followed by a lively discussion with members of her audience. Miss Schreiber's appearance in Palmer was the only one scheduled in this area and we were pleased to have her appear.

Plans for microfilming are well underway. We are now in the process of putting on microfilm the Palmer Journal Register from the year 1850 to the present date. We have purchased a microfilm reader-printer which will be available for use as soon as the microfilms are in the library's possession. Future plans also include to purchase microfilms of magazines and newspapers which can easily be stored and used for reference in years to come.

Recently, a LIBRARY NEEDS COMMITTEE was formed to make a study of our present library conditions, its limitations, its problems and its present-day needs. The need for a new library has been evident for many years. Eleven years ago a survey of the library was made by a director of the Springfield City Library along with the Director, at that time, of the Western Regional Public Library System. The study revealed that the books and services then being provided were far below the then currently accepted minimum standards. Many changes in our library have been made since then; but we are still

below the minimum standards. As an example, according to the Lower Pioneer Valley Regional Planning Commission, Palmer is the only town in this area with a deficit of almost 10,000 books in our library. We have 20,000 and we should have 28,952. This deficit is due mostly to shortage of space. There are many other reasons for a new building and this will be the job of the new committee to explore -- to find out what standards we must meet, what we as a community would like to have as well as fulfilling our needs. All avenues will be explored including means of financial aid and suitable locations. They have a big job cut out for them -- but it will be a job well done because they are interested and concerned citizens and they want the best for our town and for the people.

In closing this report, I wish to thank the many people who help to make our library the happy, successful and serviceable place that it is. Our devoted librarian, Mrs. Catherine Young, and her efficient and loyal staff are to be highly commended. And many thanks to all who have cooperated with the library at one time or another as well as the members of the school departments, the Board of Selectmen, Palmer Finance Committee, Library Association members and the officers and trustees of the Palmer Public Library.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Heropoulos, President
Board of Trustees

1973 Presiding Officers and Trustees of the
Palmer Public Library

President - Ann Heropoulos	Secretary - Alice Piechota
Vice President - Lois Reynolds	Auditor - Jerome West
Treasurer - William Maus	

Trustees:

Mitchell Garabedian	Patricia Smith
Michael Moran	Patrick Turley
Ursula St. Amand	Alfred Ziegler

Staff Members of the Palmer Public Library

Head Librarian - Catherine Young	Clerks:
Assistant Librarian	Evalyn Schardel
and Cataloger - Connie Coulter	Geraldine Molleur
Bookmobile Librarian - Edna Rehor	
Children's Librarian and Ass't. Bookmobile	
Librarian - Francis Bigda	

REPORT OF THE CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

To the Board of Selectmen.

The Annual Report of the Cemetery Commissioners for the year ending December 31, 1973 is herewith submitted.

During 1973 the following was spent for the care and up-keep of the four cemeteries in the Town of Palmer under the care of the Commissioners.

	1973 Appropri- ation	Expenditures Jan. 1-Dec. 31 1973
Labor and Clerk	\$20,943.20	\$19,987.41
All others	<u>5,521.00</u>	<u>4,986.44</u>
Total	\$26,424.20	\$24,973.85
Balance		\$ 1,490.35

During the year, the following totals were received by this department:

Receipts from cemeteries	\$ 4,110.00
13 new Perpetual Care Funds	2,000.00
Interest on 657 Perpetual Care Funds	<u>5,107.03</u>

Total receipts paid to the Town Treasurer	\$11,217.03
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Respectfully submitted,

George S. Gay, Chairman
Walter L. Chase
Robert E. Geer
Cemetery Commissioners
by Robert G. Faulkner,
Clerk

IN MEMORIAM

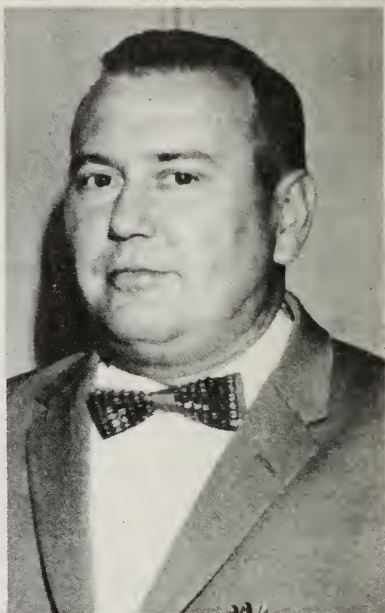
STANLEY P. BERNAT

Member Palmer Board of Health 1962-1973

Born June 29, 1923

Died March 12, 1973

IN RECOGNITION OF FAITHFUL
SERVICE TO THE TOWN OF PALMER



IN MEMORIAM

CHESTER J. MARHELEWICZ

Member Palmer Board of Health 1964-1973

Born August 30, 1924

Died June 18, 1973

IN RECOGNITION OF FAITHFUL
SERVICE TO THE TOWN OF PALMER



REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
Palmer, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

The Palmer Board of Health herewith submits its Annual Report for the year ending December 31, 1973:

On the dates shown herewith, Immunization Clinics were held by the Board of Health in 1973 for the following communicable diseases:

Rubella	January 6
Mumps	February 3
Measles	March 3
Poliomyelitis	April 7
Poliomyelitis	June 2
Rubella	June 30
DPT and DT	September 15
DPT and DT	October 20
DPT and DT	November 17
DPT and DT - Measles	December 15

(DPT is Diphtheria, Pertusis, Tetanus)
(DT is Diphtheria, Tetanus)

Reportable Diseases:

Chicken Pox	30	Meningitis	1
Dog Bites	82	Streptococcal	
German Measles	4	Rheumatic Fever	1
Hepatitis	11	Cat Scratch	1
Salmonellosis	1	Cat Bite	1
Streptococcal Sore Throat	68	Aseptic (Viral)	
Scarlet Fever	4	Meningitis	1
Gonorrhea	2	Neisseria Meningitis	1
		Influenzal Meningitis	1

Deaths reported during 1973:

	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
0 to 10 years	1	0	1
10 to 20 years	0	3	3
20 to 30 years	3	0	3
30 to 40 years	4	0	4
40 to 50 years	4	2	6
50 to 60 years	12	6	18

60 to 70 years	17	8	25
70 to 80 years	16	14	30
80 to 90 years	13	19	32
90 to 100 years	<u>3</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>8</u>
	73	57	130

Licenses issued:

		<u>Receipts</u>
Disposal works installers	\$	80.00
Septic tank		155.00
Garbage removal		6.00
Ice cream		30.00
Funeral Director		6.00
Camp		30.00
Motel		20.00
Trailer park		10.00
Milk - oleo		<u>24.50</u>
TOTAL	\$	361.50

FINANCIAL REPORT

Appropriation	\$24,309.00
Expended	<u>13,411.42</u>
Balance	\$10,897.58

During the year, the town was saddened by the death of two Board of Health members, Stanley P. Bernat and Chester J. Marhelewicz, who were faithful and conscientious public servants.

At joint meetings held with the Board of Selectmen, Donald H. Cavanaugh was elected on April 3, 1973 to fill vacancy existing due to death of Stanley P. Bernat and Frederick J. Lis was elected on July 16, 1973 to fill vacancy existing due to death of Chester J. Marhelewicz.

Respectfully submitted,

Maurice R. LePage, D.S.C.,
Chairman
Donald H. Cavanaugh
Frederick J. Lis

REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN

Honorable Board of Selectmen
Town of Palmer, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

During the past year 106 trees of various species were planted throughout the town.

The ice storm of December 17 caused considerable damage to our shade trees. Hundreds of broken limbs were removed, seven trees were split, two were removed that were damaged beyond repair. Twenty-two additional trees were removed due to old age and decay.

Normal maintenance of dead wood removal and low limb clearance were also carried out.

Amount appropriated (18 mos.)	\$6,630.00
Expenditures	<u>4,102.88</u>
Balance	\$2,527.12

Respectfully submitted,

Oliver Beauregard
Tree Warden

REPORT OF THE INSECT PEST CONTROL SUPERINTENDENT

Honorable Board of Selectmen
Town of Palmer, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

The Gypsy Moth is and will continue to be our major pest problem. In my last report I warned of a potential infestation of the moths from the Southwest. Minor to moderate stripping of foliage can be expected in certain sections of the township.

Creosoting of egg clusters, spraying of wooded areas around dwellings is planned to contain the pest.

Much confusion and concern exists in regard to the Fall Web Worm. The Fall Web Worm should not be mistaken for the Gypsy Moth. They are two entirely different pests. The Fall Web Worm is more unsightly than damaging, doing its bit in August and September whereas the Gypsy Moth does its damage in June and July.

Amount appropriated (18 mos.)	\$3,625.00
Expenditures (12 mos.)	<u>2,624.09</u>
Balance	\$1,000.91

Respectfully submitted,

Stanley J. Strzeminski
Superintendent
Insect Pest Control

REPORT ON DUTCH ELM DISEASE

Honorable Board of Selectmen
Town of Palmer, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

During the past year 68 diseased and dead Elm trees were removed in accordance of the sanitation recommendations of the Department of Natural Resources.

Vast research measures have been taken to find a cure for this disease, but to date no cure has been found.

Amount appropriated (18 mos.)	\$7,020.00
Expenditures (12 mos.)	<u>5,188.26</u>
Balance	\$1,831.74

Respectfully submitted

Stanley J. Strzeminski
Superintendent
Insect Pest Control

REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
Palmer, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

The Conservation Commission herewith submits its annual report for the year 1973.

The Commission met regularly at the Townhouse on the second Monday evening of each month excepting July and August.

Two special meetings were held, one with the Planning Board concerning the Redevelopment Project and one with the Selectmen concerning the Warren Road construction project.

The Commission conducted four hearings under the Hatch Act and after due consideration issued Orders of Conditions.

The Commission made eight field trips to investigate possible Hatch Act violations.

Members of the Commission attended two State Conservation Conferences, one at Holy Cross College in May and one at the University of Massachusetts in October.

Mr. Johnson made arrangements for a film on conservation to be shown at Palmer High School.

Membership in Massachusetts Audubon Society has been renewed.

Fifty copies of the revised Phase II Town Natural Resource Plan were requested and obtained from the Department of Agriculture's Soil Conservation Service.

The Commission is now ready to proceed with Phase III i.e. "Implementation of Planning Goals" and to this end has requested the Town for additional funds.

Respectfully submitted,
David E. Johnson, Ch.
Jane Golas, Vice Ch.
Henry L. Lloyd

Andrew Roman
Richard Stred
William M. Wadas
Margaret P. Ziegler, Sec.

REPORT OF THE SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Scales and Balances:	<u>Adj.</u>	<u>Sealed</u>	<u>Not Sealed</u>	<u>Con-demned</u>
Over 10,000 lbs.	0	4	0	0
5,000 to 10,000 lbs.	2	2	0	0
100 to 5,000 lbs.	23	45	3	1
10 to 100 lbs.	9	49	2	0
10 lbs. or less	9	19	0	0
Totals	43	119	5	1

Weights:

Avoirdupois	0	89	5	0
Metric	0	67	7	0
Apothecary	0	46	0	0
Totals	0	202	12	0

Liquid Measuring Meters:

Inlet one inch or less:

Gasoline	21	86	1	0
Oil, grease	0	12	3	0

Inlet more than one inch

Vehicle tank	6	22	0	0
Totals	27	120	4	0

Trial weighings and measurements of commodities sold or put up for sale:

<u>Commodities</u>	<u>Tested</u>	<u>Correct</u>	<u>Under</u>	<u>Over</u>
Bread	137	124	4	9
Charcoal	39	14	3	22
Fruits and vegetables	176	130	19	27
Confectionary	126	105	6	15
Meats	381	308	44	29
Potatoes	34	24	2	8
Flour	19	9	3	7
Butter	38	31	5	2
Provisions	163	142	8	13
Totals	1113	887	94	132

Inspections:

Food packages	937
Charcoal, paper bags	39
Milk jars, cartons	47
Marking of bread	137
Gasoline (other than sealing)	67
Fuel oil meters	
(other than sealing)	27
Scales	119
Pedlar's license	1
Transient vendor's license	1
Pedlar's junk scale	<u>1</u>
Total	1376

Total sealing fees	\$814.20	
Sealing fees collected		\$739.20
Sealing fees paid to Town Treasurer		\$739.20
Sealing fees due the Town of Palmer		75.00

Appropriation (18 months)	\$2,424.30
Expenditures (12 months)	<u>1,577.52</u>
Balance	\$ 846.78

The foregoing comprises my annual report for the period ending December 31, 1973.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles H. Jasak
Sealer of Weights
and Measures

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
Town of Palmer, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

All inspections ordered by the Division of Animal Health have been completed and requirements of Section 19, Chapter 129 of the General Laws of Massachusetts have been complied with, and reports filed with the Division at 100 Cambridge Street, Boston.

There were 144 visits made to examine and quarantine dogs known to have bitten persons. None showed symptoms of rabies and were released after 10 days.

Respectfully submitted,

Louis S. Jacek
Inspector of Animals

REPORT OF THE MILK INSPECTOR

To the Board of Health and the Citizens of Palmer, Mass.

I respectfully submit my report on the following licenses issued for the year 1973:

25 Milk Store Licenses	@.50	\$12.50
15 Oleomargarine Licenses	@.50	7.50
9 Milk Vehicle Licenses	@.50	<u>4.50</u>
		\$24.50

Respectfully submitted,

Frank J. Swiatlowski
Milk Inspector

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
Town of Palmer, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

Once again 1973 was an active year for the Planning Board. With the assistance of the Zoning Advisory Committee the Planning Board drew up a Zoning By-Law which, it was felt by both boards would be the key factor in future control and development of the town. At the Special Town Meeting on April 11, 1973 this By-Law won a majority of votes 730 to 537, but it failed to get the necessary 2/3 vote to win.

Several weeks later a petition signed by 35 voters was received and the Selectmen agreed to hold a Special Town Meeting on May 9, 1973. The results were the same.

On December 10, 1973 at the Special Town Meeting, amendments were offered to the voters on Gravel Removal, Building Permits, and Accessory Buildings, all of which were accepted by the voters.

This acceptance was encouraging to the Planning Board as it showed a new willingness to consider the events of today and their impact on the future.

During this year the Planning Board issued 122 permits, sold 200 maps for a total of \$711.00 which was turned over to the Treasurer. The Agent for the board made 35 inspections on complaints and requests. Over 100 trips were made to inspect sites for building permits.

Your Planning Board wishes to thank all the officials and committees for their help and cooperation. We also ask for the continued support of the voters and tax payers in developing better land use and building controls.

Respectfully submitted,

Russell C. Marier, Chairman
John E. Chopyk, Vice-Chairman
Daniel V. Fogarty, Jr. - Clerk
Evelyn B. Anton
Aylmer C. Giroux

REPORT OF THE LICENSE COMMISSIONERS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
and Citizens of the Town of Palmer

Herewith is the annual report of the License Commission
Department.

The Board of License Commissioners issued the following
licenses during the year 1973:

<u>All alcoholic</u>	<u>Annual</u>	<u>Seasonal</u>
Inn holders	3	0
Retail package	4	1
Clubs	5	0
Druggists	4	0
Restaurants	11	1
<u>Malt, beverages and wine</u>		
Retail package	4	0
<u>Common victuallers</u>	49	0

The Board also issued 13 one-day permits for the sale of
malt beverages and wine. This department turned over to
the Town Treasurer the total sum of \$9,703.00

Respectfully submitted,

Bernard Lamery
Fred S. Tyburski
Edwin Olearczyk

REPORT OF THE PARK COMMISSIONERS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
Palmer, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

The Park Commissioners hereby submit their annual report for 1973.

Regular meetings of the Park Commission are held on the third Wednesday of each month at 7 P.M. in the Town Administration Building.

The number of persons using the facilities of the Park Department continue to increase yearly. It is without doubt that the facilities must be increased in the near future if it is expected to accomodate the large crowd that wishes to use them.

Legion Field has been over-taxed with its ever increasing sports programs. The three newly constructed tennis courts on Eager Field cannot handle the number of players who would like to enjoy the sport nor can it handle the numbers who wish to play hockey in the winter.

This year the department purchased mini-playground equipment for Endelson Playground in Bondsville. Because of lack of space this equipment could not be installed thereby depriving the youngsters of Bondsville the enjoyment of a mini-playground which is being enjoyed by the children of the other three villages. It is the hope of the commission that with the development of the Industrial Park in Bondsville some of the land adjacent to Endelson Playground will be turned over to the Park Department by the Palmer Redevelopment Authority so that the Park can be expanded.

Another step taken toward expanding the department facilities was the approval of Article 21 in the 1972 Town Warrant allowing the commissioners to purchase $7\frac{1}{4}$ acres of land on Water Street for \$15,000. The commission has applied to The Bureau of Outdoor Recreation (B.O.R.) for matching funds for the purchase of this property.

The town Recreation Program which operates at Burleigh

Park for ten weeks in the summer continues to increase. More equipment, services and maintenance time is needed to insure the smooth operation of this worth-while program.

Burleigh Park-Area #2 located on Smith Street in the Lake Thompson section of town has a new design in playground equipment. It boasts a look-out tower connected to a playhouse. These structures are built from hardwood beams by park employees and are stained to blend in naturally with the surrounding area.

Area #2 was started two years ago by Park Supt. Mike Russó and Mr. Edward Libera, department head of Palmer High Industrial Arts department and his instructors Dennis Swierad, Russell Webb and John Gartska. This area was given another shot in the arm this year when 50 boys from that program returned for a week to clear more brush, cut a trail around the swamp and install a rail fence of pine logs along Smith Street. They also constructed a pine log fence at the entrance of Burleigh Park on Warren Street. As time and funds became available, more equipment and trails will be built in this area. The commissioners thank Mr. Libera, his instructors and all the boys for their time and effort contributed to this program.

The Federal Program "Neighborhood Youth Corps" under the supervision of Mr. Joseph Ketschek was again available to the department. Eight boys from this program worked at Burleigh clearing brush and improving the trails. They also worked at Legion Field installing drainage pipe, catch basins and painting fence.

Because of weather conditions the skating on the five skating rinks was held at a minimum this year.

All other parks and playgrounds in the town were extensively used by children and adults alike.

Vandalism was at an all time low this year.

In November a plaque was placed in the Thorndike Mini-Playground honoring the Diamond International Corporation for their donation of land on the corner of Main and Church Streets, Thorndike to the Park Department. The park is being used year around since it was constructed in 1971. So far as the commissioners can speak for the

hundreds of children who now and later will enjoy the playground. We thank the Diamond International Corporation most sincerely.

Although in the opinion of the commission the Park Department is under staffed because of the services demanded of it and the area and equipment it has under its jurisdiction, both have been well maintained by Supt. Mike Russo and his staff.

Many thanks to all department heads and individuals of other town departments for their help and cooperation throughout the year, to the children and adults of the town for their cooperation and consideration while enjoying the use of the park facilities, to our Supt. Mike Russo and his staff and to the Honorable Board of Selectmen for their help and guidance when needed.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard J. DeMaio,
Chairman
David Johnson, Secretary
Gerald J. Aliengena
Robert M. Laviolette
Walter Pluta

REPORT OF THE VETERANS' SERVICES DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
Town of Palmer, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

The Viet Nam cease-fire agreement signed on January 27, 1973 terminated hostilities for the American Armed Forces in that area and paved the way for the withdrawal of all U. S. ground forces as well as the return of all Prisoners of War. The Viet Nam conflict claimed 45,913 American lives in the combat areas since January 1, 1961 and another 7,100 servicemen died from other causes.

As of June 18, 1973 the Veterans Administration took over jurisdiction of all National Cemeteries with the exception of Arlington and overseas cemeteries. The VA also will allow up to \$150 toward the purchase of any private burial plot and interment expenses in addition to the \$250 flat grant for Burial Expenses of deceased veterans after August 1, 1973.

A disastrous fire in the St. Louis Records Center destroyed the military records of approximately 20 million veterans. It is therefore very important that all veterans safeguard their military service records in their possession, because they may be the only proof of their service when applying for benefits.

Monthly rates of Pensions for veterans and widows was approved effective January 1, 1974, however income limitations remain unchanged. Any Social Security increases which may be granted during the year will not reduce the rate of benefits in 1974, but may affect benefits the following year.

Veterans wearing prosthetic devices are now eligible for annual clothing allowance if such appliances are found to wear or tear their clothing. All eligible veterans were sent the proper application forms by the VA offices.

On July 2, 1973 the local Veterans' Agent was appointed Draft Registrar for the Town of Palmer. Although no men are presently being drafted, all young men reaching the age of 18 are required by law to register in order to pro-

vide a standby pool of draftees in the event of an emergency.

Our records show 27 servicemen have completed their active duty this year and nine of these served in the combat area. Bonus applications are being filed and certified in this office for veterans with at least six months of active service between July 1, 1958 and April 1, 1973. Death claimed 27 of our veterans during the year. We assisted 27 applicants with Pension or Compensation claims and 20 awards were made representing \$18,841 to these recipients. Four claims were denied, two were increased and eight are still being adjudicated.

The Veterans' Benefits section handled 980 personal contacts and 1001 telephone calls relating to various veterans' matters. Some of the more frequent services rendered concerned the following:

1153 Photostats	32 Insurance
188 Letters and forms	31 Burial Benefits
79 Education	27 Pensions &
78 Referrals to agencies	Compensation
40 Discharges recorded	22 Hospital & Dental
38 G.I. Loans	19 Draft Registrations
34 Bonus applications	15 Tax Exemptions
	373 Miscellaneous matters

Under provisions of Chapter 115 of the G.L. as amended, 68 cases were allowed direct financial aid involving 193 persons.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Appropriation for unpaid bills of 1972	\$ 6,148.13
Expenditures	6,147.93
Balance	.20
Appropriation for 1973	55,681.00
State reimbursements received	\$16,033.67
Refunds	660.28
Town's share of total cost	32,002.95
Unexpended balance	<u>6,984.10</u>
	\$55,681.00

Respectfully submitted,

Edward J. Salamon
Veterans' Agent

REPORT OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY

The "Housing-for-the-Elderly" project on Fletcher Street in the Depot Village, administered by the Palmer Housing Authority, is entering its fourth year of operation. Built with borrowed funds, guaranteed by the State, and partially subsidized by the State, it is obliged to operate on a strict and careful budget to make ends meet. During the present energy crisis, efforts have been made to adjust consumption of electricity in some areas, without curtailing heat in the apartments, feeling that the comfort of the elderly tenants is of paramount importance and concern.

During the past year, two tenants died, and four vacated apartments for other reasons. The six apartments were redecorated and new tenants were taken from the waiting list.

The State has audited the Authority's Books during the fall and found no discrepancies and made no criticisms. A report of the audit will be made public by the State as in the past.

During the year a Social Club has been formed by the tenants with a slate of officers and by-laws. The group meets once a month for a combined business meeting and birthday party, honoring the members whose birthday anniversaries fall within the month.

Some local organizations have been kind enough to schedule entertainments for the elderly, and the sixth grade at Quaboag School entertained the group with a skit depicting the Boston Tea Party. The well designed buildings and carefully maintained grounds of the Project are an asset to the Town, and give the elderly a secure, serene and enjoyable community in which to live.

The five members of the Palmer Housing Authority meet monthly to supervise, set policy, and oversee standards of management and maintenance.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Guy M. Judkins, Chairman
Myrtle F. Davis
Richard E. Fontaine

Aloysius J. Tyburski
William J. Lemanski

**REPORT OF THE PATHFINDER REGIONAL
VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT**

To: The Honorable Board of Selectmen

SEPTEMBER 17, 1974 -
PATHFINDER REGIONAL VOCATIONAL-
TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL
OPENS FOR THE FIRST TIME!

This opening statement represents the fruition of nine years of hard work by a great many people - conscientious citizens involved from the early planning stages, a dedicated school committee, interested town officials, unselfish advisory committee members, and many other concerned citizens.

Prior to the opening of school in September, the year had been a busy one. Throughout the spring the "Pathfinder Picture" was presented to potential students and parents in the four member towns. Application blanks were made available and soon our initial enrollment was under way.

Raymond Avery was appointed Director of Guidance to review the applications, determine student scheduling and notify students of their acceptance. Mrs. Harriot Henrichon of Belchertown was appointed bookkeeper the first of June and Earl Clark of Palmer was appointed head custodian commencing the first of July.

All of the movable equipment, hand tools, books and supplies were put out to bid and ordered for late summer delivery. Progress on the building continued without any major delays. Prospective teachers were interviewed and references evaluated. The teaching staff was selected in July to begin their assignments on September 4.

Pathfinder's Superintendent-Director, Paul Ahern, submitted his resignation last June and the School Committee selected Raymond Avery as the man to open the school in the capacity of Acting Superintendent-Director. John Avery replaced Raymond Avery as the Director of Guidance and Phyllis Olearczyk of Three Rivers was appointed guidance secretary. The school nurse, cafeteria manager and other supportive staff so essential to the running of the school were appointed in August.

With a full staff - teaching, office, custodial, kitchen, etc. on board, everyone worked to prepare the school for the arrival of some 322 students (161 from Palmer, 78 from Monson, 74 from Belchertown and 9 from New Braintree) in grades 9, 10 and 11 with post graduates. On September 17 the students arrived and, with a minimal amount of confusion, school was officially in session.

Some work remained to be done in the building, but everyone cooperated to assure the least amount of confusion. Some tasks were assigned to students and faculty for assistance. The agribusiness students have been completing the landscaping of the school grounds. The carpentry students have made step ladders and bookcases for use within the school, and the clothing department is in the process of providing draperies for the office areas.

Organizations formed within the student body and class activities held to date include a car wash and bake sale, afternoon movies, etc. The Healthfinders, a group of girls enrolled in the health service assistant program held a Christmas party for the elderly that was enjoyed by young and old alike.

The kitchen staff, headed by Normand Charette and assisted by the culinary arts students under the direction of Albert Pare, their instructor, have kept the entire school well fed. High-lights of the year include a turkey banquet served at Thanksgiving time and a smorgasbord prepared for the Christmas season.

Pathfinder organized a soccer team on the junior varsity level who went through the season with only one loss. Our junior varsity basketball team seems to be holding its own in the league.

Skills learned by students in the automotive and cosmetology departments are being put to the test by the general public who avail themselves of these services offered at a nominal charge.

Evening classes in creative stitchery, slip covers, dress-making, hair care, oil burner repair, horticulture, automotive repair, carpentry, culinary arts, drafting, electricity, machine shop, small engine repair, and technical business training will be held beginning in January, 1974.

A formal dedication of the building is planned for the spring.

Respectfully submitted,

Harry Uguccione
Robert Carper

School Committee Members

Raymond E. Avery
Acting
Superintendent-Director

SCHOOL COMMITTEE 1973 - 1974

John J. Dyl	- - - - -	Chairman
James L. St.Amand	- - - - -	Vice-Chairman
Earl E. Benoit	- - - - -	Secretary

John J. Dyl	Term expires 1974
James L. St.Amand	Term expires 1974
Earl E. Benoit	Term expires 1975
Joseph J. Malzenski	Term expires 1975
James R. Longtine	Term expires 1976

Regular meetings of the School Committee are held at 7:00 p.m. on the first Thursday of each month.

All bills must be in the hands of the Superintendent on Monday before the above-mentioned date.

Office Hours: 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 n.; 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT

It is with mixed emotions that I submit herewith my twelfth annual report, my final one, and the eighty-first school report of the town.

BUDGET COMPARISON

	12 Months July 1, 1973 to <u>June 30, 1974</u>	12 Months July 1, 1974 to <u>June 30, 1975</u>
Administration	\$ 51,427.60	\$ 70,654.00
Instruction	1,572,338.28	1,814,172.76
Other school services	164,186.00	185,250.00
Operation and maintenance of plant	170,276.56	192,368.00
Fixed charges	67,249.33	70,249.33
Community services	500.00	500.00
Trade School expenses	29,460.00	13,910.00
Tuition	2,000.00	2,000.00
Repairs	29,156.50	31,555.00
Federal Matching Funds	6,000.00	6,000.00

Surplus property	1,000.00	1,000.00
Raises that were added		
at Special Town Meeting	48,815.00	
Projected raises		42,989.86
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	\$2,139,409.27	\$2,430,648.95

The budgets above allow for a comparison on a twelve-month basis. At this writing, the 1974-1975 budget has not been accepted by the School Committee; nor has it by reviewed by the Finance Committee. After this year, annual comparisons can be made on the new July 1 - June 30 fiscal year.

HIGH SCHOOL BUDGET

During the past school year, Palmer High School has been devoting greater time doing exploratory work in the area of career education. This seems to be part of a larger trend in American education. Primarily, career education enables students to learn about careers available to them and gives them an opportunity to explore, in depth, the particular career in which they may be interested.

At the present time, a number of Palmer High School teachers are working on a career education program that will result in a Career Education Day during the winter.

More and more emphasis is being placed on job placement advice at the High School because it is urgent that students receive positions that will allow them to earn a living. Mr. Paydos of the guidance department staff is the resource person for job placement. All Seniors are encouraged to discuss, in depth, the prospect for jobs whether or not they plan to attend college.

During this past year, a course-by-course evaluation of the high school curriculum has been taking place. Our aim, always, is to provide a meaningful curriculum for all students.

Since late fall, Palmer High School has been investigating the Open Campus, or Max-Ed Program. Max-Ed is an alternative for secondary school education and clearly demonstrates how the high school can become more sensitive and responsive to the needs and requirements of its student.

Max-Ed, or Open Campus, is being explored with a view to involving approximately twenty-five students in activities within the community; in most instances, during their study periods. Each student must submit a proposal or contract describing the activities to be pursued at a local business, hospital, or in community-directed activities. Final jurisdiction over the contract will be determined by the High School Principal, Senior Class advisers, and the Senior Class president. Hopefully, if this program is successful, it can be expanded.

The Palmer High School student body went from 1,050 students to 920 students as a result of the opening of Pathfinder Regional Vocational-Technical High School. This also resulted in a professional staff reduction of five members.

On November 20, Palmer High School held Back-to-School Night. The program featured an opportunity for parents to follow the class schedule of their son or daughter.

Since the last annual report, three issues of School Times, the School Committee quarterly newsletter, have been published. The newsletter's main function is to inform town residents about school district matters.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS REPORT

With the advent of Kindergarten, we added another 167 youngsters to the school system in the 1973-1974 school year. In the elementary schools, there are 1,650 youngsters in Grades K-7. We are presently leasing St. Ann School, which houses six rooms, Grades 1-6; and the St. Thomas Parish Center, which houses three rooms, Grades K-1. The following schools are in operation:

<u>Elementary Schools</u>	<u>Grades</u>	<u>Enrollment</u>
Thorndike Street	1-7	195
Park Street	1-7	291
Quaboag	1-7	205
Three Rivers	K-7	208
Thorndike	K-7	202
Bondsville	K-7	320
St. Ann	1-6	142
St. Thomas	K-1	87

The elementary teachers have been attending graduate schools, workshops, and conferences in order to gain insights into new ideas, both in content areas as well as in methods of teaching. Some of the colleges attended by the teaching staff are as follows:

Springfield College	University of Connecticut
University of Massachusetts	Boston University
Westfield State College	Harvard University
American International College	

The staff also attended workshops in the following areas;

Title I	Remedial Reading
English Curriculum	Reading Curriculum
Science Curriculum	Special Services
Kindergarten	

By and large, many of these conferences and workshops were conducted by a number of our own very capable teachers. Also, people from colleges and universities in the immediate area, as well as outside consultants, were invited to aid in our workshops and conferences.

The English and Spelling Committee has completed its work of more than one year and is responsible for implementing a new English and spelling series this past September.

The Kindergarten Committee, which was composed of teachers, special service staff, outside consultants, and principals, was responsible for the Kindergarten program getting off to an excellent start.

The Science Committee is hard at work evaluating the current science curriculum, and it should be making its recommendation to the administration by April of 1974. The Elementary Work Study program is continuing quite successfully, with much of the success due to parents, students, teachers, and people in the community who employ and train these youngsters.

The Title I program has been funded for the eighth year in succession. This year, Project READ has been funded for \$34,427. The budget for the school year project was \$19,237.23. The balance of the funds will be used for a summer project.

Project READ is being conducted at the Bondsville and Thorndike Elementary Schools. The program is aimed at improving reading skills in the primary grades. This program is in addition to the reading program provided by the Palmer Public Schools.

Project READ employs a full-time reading teacher at the Bondsville Elementary School, a part-time reading teacher at the Thorndike Elementary School, a part-time aide at the Bondsville Elementary School, and an outside evaluator from the University of Massachusetts.

Within the last year, another Resource Center was added to aid children within the community with special needs.

Special Needs would include youngsters with perceptual problems, learning disabilities of many types, slow learners, hearing and vision impairment, some behavioral and emotional problems, and functional minimal brain-damaged children. Also included are children who have been environmentally deprived and have received no preparation to enter the educational environment.

Presently, there are four Resource Centers. These are housed in the Thorndike Street and Park Street Elementary Schools and Palmer High School.

With the implementation of Chapter 766 destined for September, 1974, making each town responsible for the education of all individuals aged 3 to 21, more Resource Centers will be required. Palmer has planned and worked considerably in this area over the past five years; thus, implementation of Chapter 766 will be able to occur on a gradual basis.

Palmer is offering the following special services: guidance, remedial reading, art, music, speech, health and physical education. Our specialists are doing a fine job in spite of the fact that they are often found working in unusual places, such as a cafeteria, a hallway, or perhaps a boiler room.

Cooperation among students, parents, teachers, other staff members, and the administration is very evident in Palmer. It is not uncommon to find parents and teachers serving on committees together. Cooperation is also evidenced in other ways, such as teacher-parent and administrator conferences.

It is to the credit of the community and the Palmer Public Schools that a good open two-way communication system is in operation.

As teachers, administrators, parents, and taxpayers, we, too, are aware that good education is costly. However, we again urge you, as citizens, not to cut budgets but rather to look to the state and federal governments to come up with an intelligent and equitable method of financing education. It goes without saying that the real estate tax, which is the base on which education is financed, is one of the most regressive taxes that can be imposed. There are other methods of taxation which are progressive in nature and would place the burden of taxation upon those who could and should pay additional taxes.

You are asked to write to your legislators, to form committees, to become active citizens, and to let your representatives know that, although you want good education and understand that good education is costly, you want something done now about financing education equitably.

Certainly, no one is against good education; rather, people are against the poor way that education is financed. However, it is only through the voice of the people that legislators will know what you want.

The needs of the Palmer Public Schools are known to most of the people of Palmer. It is a fact that we have not built an elementary school since 1927--some 46 years ago! Palmer is desperately in need of two elementary schools. It is a known fact that we have been derelict in our duty as citizens to provide our children with proper physical facilities. The need has been recognized for some time now. The Willis-Harrington Report; School Needs Reports, the Palmer Educational Survey which was done by Jones, Griffiths and Associates in 1965; cited our physical needs; yet no positive action has been taken.

The elementary administration is once more recommending to the citizens of Palmer the need for two elementary buildings.

Accomplishments of The Last Twelve Years

1. Cafeteria facilities were completed in all school buildings.

2. Department Heads were established in the High School.
3. Directors of Services were established in the school system.
4. Improved budgetary procedures were established.
5. Pathfinder Regional Vocational-Technical School was established.
6. An outstanding reading program was established.
7. An excellent Learning Disabilities program was established.
8. An organized curriculum development schedule was developed.
9. A scheduled maintenance program at minimal cost was developed.
10. Services in guidance, art, music, physical education, and speech and hearing were expanded.
11. A coordinated administrative team was established.
12. A kindergarten program was established.
13. Programs were developed which brought thousands of dollars in federal and state money to aid in curriculum expansion and development.
14. Studies were completed establishing school building needs.
15. Efficient office procedures were developed.
16. Improved communication procedures between the Superintendent and the School Committee were established.
17. An organized classroom library program for the elementary grades was established.
18. Full-time Principals in the elementary system were established.

19. A full-time Assistant Principal in the High School was established.
20. A program of contract negotiation procedures was developed.
21. An excellent Title I federal program for educationally and culturally deprived youngsters was established.
22. An outstanding program in the arts was developed.
23. Staff procedures for smooth school operations were established.
24. A policy manual for the school system was adopted.
25. Excellent communication relationships with all groups of employees--building aides, custodians, cafeteria workers, special teachers, office staff, teachers, and principals--were developed.

Office Staff

I should like to thank my Administrative Assistant, Miss Oda Witkoski, and my Secretary, Miss Alice Mohamed, for the pleasant years spent together. I should like especially to commend Miss Witkoski. Without her guidance and cooperation, it would have been impossible for the office to run as efficiently as it has. The town should be indebted to her for her many years of devoted service. I am sure that her replacement will find it very difficult to meet the high standards that she set.

School Committee

I should like to thank the School Committee for its fine cooperation in our mutual endeavor to furnish the best possible education for every child in the community. I should also like to wish the committee luck in its endeavor to secure my replacement.

Townspeople

This report, submitted to the School Committee by the

Superintendent, reflects his opinions and recommendations. Action on any of the items mentioned can be taken only by a vote of the School Committee.

Conclusion

In conclusion, may I take this opportunity to express my sincere appreciation to the Board of Selectmen, the Highway Department, the Police Department, the Fire Department, the Park Department, all other town officers, a loyal and helpful staff, parent and teacher organizations, and all others who have given their whole-hearted support in our objective to provide a successful school program for your children.

Respectfully submitted,

Leo J. Santucci
Superintendent of Schools

REPORT OF THE FOREST FIRE WARDEN

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:
Town of Palmer, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report as Forest Fire Warden of the Town of Palmer for the year 1973.

This department responded to a total of 59 calls during the year:

32 for forest and brush in the Palmer Fire District.
27 for forest and brush fires.

In addition to the above calls, we also responded to 13 fires involving rubbish. I would like to remind the Townspeople that a burning ban is in effect and is being strictly enforced.

At this time I would like to thank all neighboring Chiefs and men of the other Fire Departments that helped us during the year.

I also wish to thank the Honorable Board and the Police Department for the cooperation and help I received during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

Gus A. Theodore
Forest Fire Warden

REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit an interim Financial Report of the Town of Palmer for the calendar year 1973.

Noticeably missing is the Balance Sheet and the reason for this report being omitted is that the Town has not concluded a full Financial Year. We are at the two-thirds point of an eighteen-month transitional period.

Included in the Report is a Statement of Cash Receipts, Cash Disbursements, Statement of Appropriations, Expenditures and Balances, Schedule of Bonded Indebtedness and Reserve Account transfers.

Beginning with July 1, 1974, the Town will embark on a fiscal cycle which will run concurrently with State and Federal Fiscal Years. Town meeting will now budget funds in advance of the fiscal year. It is noteworthy that property taxes will be collected in two parts, one payment by November 1st and the other by May 1st of each fiscal year. Financial statistics will be reported at the end of each Calendar Year reflecting the business transacted by the Town for the preceding fiscal year.

Respectfully submitted,

Stanley J. Bigda
Town Accountant

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1973

TAXES - LOCAL:

Current Year's Levy:

Real Estate	\$2,235,159.32	
Personal	<u>449,233.55</u>	\$2,684,392.87

Prior Year's Levy:

Real Estate	155,567.91	
Personal	8,440.83	
Tax Title Redemption	<u>11,903.29</u>	175,912.03

Other Local Taxes:

Motor Vehicle Excise	378,510.40	
Farm Animal Excise	976.00	
Trailer Coach Fees - 1972	330.00	
Trailer Coach Fees - 1973	<u>4,594.00</u>	384,410.40

Total Taxes - Local

\$3,244,715.30

STATE SHARED TAXES:

Education Basis:

School Aid - Chapter 70	436,464.34	
Machine Basis	<u>56,477.86</u>	

Total State Shared Taxes

492,942.20

LICENSES:

From Town:

Alcoholic Beverages	9,703.00	
Licenses issued by Selectmen	1,577.50	
Licenses issued by Board of Health	<u>351.50</u>	

Total Licenses

11,632.00

PERMITS

1,961.00

FINES - COURT

4,256.40

GRANTS:

Federal:

School Aid - PL89-10		
Title I	22,001.00	
School Aid - ESEA Title I	725.00	
School Aid - ESEA Title II	<u>4,000.24</u>	26,726.24

State:

School Building Assistance	16,734.00	
Bureau of Library Extension	<u>4,380.00</u>	21,114.00

County:		
Dog Fund		<u>1,558.00</u>

Total Grants		49,398.24
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FEES FOR CURRENT SERVICES:

General Government:		
Planning Board		829.00
of Appeals		75.00

Public Safety:		
Gas Installation Inspections	252.00	
Police Dept. - Accident Reports	497.00	
Sealer of Weights & Measures	912.50	
Conservation Commission	125.00	
Dog Release Fees	<u>149.00</u>	1,935.50

Highways:		
Highway Dept. -		
Sewer Connections		<u>2,700.00</u>

Total Fees for Current Services		5,539.50
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REIMBURSEMENT FOR CURRENT EXPENSES:

Highways - Chapter 90 Maint.		
State	4,997.75	
County	<u>4,997.75</u>	9,995.50

Public Assistance:		
State:		
Veteran's Services		9,379.38

Schools:		
Vocational Education &		
Transportation of Pupils	47,130.00	
Vocational Education	15,959.00	
Transportation	64,764.35	
Tuition - State Wards	<u>646.38</u>	<u>128,499.73</u>

Total Reimbursement for Current Expenses		147,874.61
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INTEREST INCOME:

On Taxes	10,777.50	
On Savings	5,671.45	
On Conservation Trust Fund	<u>2,049.75</u>	

Total Interest Income		18,498.70
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TRUST FUND INCOME:

Merrick Fund	45.19	
Thompson Fund	50.78	
Fuller Fund - Schools	53.37	
Fuller Fund - Parks	106.78	
Cemetery Perpetual Care	<u>5,107.03</u>	

Total Trust Fund Income		5,363.15
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AGENCY:		
Dog Licenses for County		3,483.30
TRUST:		
Payroll Deductions:		
Federal	303,437.78	
State	90,378.88	
Retirement	28,447.27	
Blue Cross - Blue Shield	53,885.57	
Life Insurance Premiums	<u>4,559.45</u>	480,708.95
School Athletic Program		6,280.24
School Lunch Program		154,085.74
Cemetery Fund Income		<u>610.00</u>
Total Trust		641,684.93
MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS:		
Loans in Anticipation of Taxes	2,000,000.00	
Serial Bond Loans - Urban Renewal	1,800,000.00	
Proceeds - Main St. Three Rivers		
Sewer Loan	<u>113,000.00</u>	
Total Municipal Indebtedness		3,913,000.00
RENTALS:		
Town Building & Properties	5,700.00	
Memorial Hall	307.50	
Schools - Auditorium & Cafeteria	<u>231.00</u>	
Total Rentals		6,238.50
FEDERAL REVENUE SHARING REIMBURSEMENT:		
PL 92-512		181,507.00
LOCAL AID FUND:		
Lottery Distribution		63,672.76
INVESTMENTS:		
Certificate of Deposit		250,000.00
MISCELLANEOUS:		
Damage Claims Recoveries	1,523.49	
Other Revenue:		
Federal Anti-Trust Settlement	498.53	
Franchise Fee - Pioneer Valley Cablevision	1,074.00	
Police - Off Duty Work Detail	6,369.50	
All Other - Estimated Receipts	<u>50.09</u>	
Total Miscellaneous		9,515.61
REFUNDS:		
Credited to Appropriations	7,508.58	
Credited to Estimated Receipts	<u>11,725.18</u>	
Total Refunds		19,233.76

TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$9,070,516.96
Add Cash Balance, January 1, 1973	<u>421,749.96</u>
	9,492,266.92
Less Cash Disbursements	<u>8,915,624.28</u>
Cash Balance, December 31, 1973	\$ 576,642.64

STATEMENT OF CASH DISBURSEMENTS

Year ending December 31, 1973

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

SELECTMEN:

Board Salaries	4,218.00	
Secretary's Salary	2,360.00	
Office Expense & Supplies	2,309.90	
Telephone	730.75	
Travel & Conferences	1,151.90	
Town Meeting Expenses	667.75	
Warrant Expenses	<u>1,792.87</u>	\$ 13,231.17

SELECTMEN'S CONTINGENT ACCOUNT:

House Numbering	158.25	
Printing, Postage	39.20	
Miscellaneous Expense	30.00	
Real Estate Tax - Water St. Land	<u>304.00</u>	531.45

TOWN ACCOUNTANT:

Salary	10,025.50	
Clerical	3,657.02	
Travel & Conferences	268.25	
Office Expense & Supplies	<u>77.57</u>	14,028.34

TOWN TREASURER:

Salary	10,450.00	
Clerical	5,334.95	
Telephone	347.49	
Office Expense & Supplies	1,164.09	
Rental - Postage Meter	81.00	
Maintenance of Office Equipment	91.32	
Bond Certification and Registration Fees	210.00	
Travel	392.50	
Data Processing Service	<u>1,392.99</u>	19,464.34

TAX COLLECTOR:

Salary	7,108.00	
Clerical	5,191.73	
Office Furniture/Equipment	1,060.84	
Telephone	168.31	
Surety Bond	480.00	
Travel	71.70	
Office Expense & Supplies	1,992.19	
Printing Tax Bills	140.69	
Tax Title Expense	<u>309.68</u>	16,523.14

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TOWN CLERK:

Salary	3,312.00	
Clerical	3,599.96	
File	245.00	
Telephone	209.02	
Extra Clerical	103.75	
Office Expense & Supplies	<u>477.76</u>	
		7,947.49

ELECTION & REGISTRATION:

Registrar's Salaries	1,197.38	
Clerical	265.20	
Election Officers	1,307.63	
Ballots	323.80	
Tally Sheets & Voting Lists	140.00	
Registration & Listing	1,700.60	
Street Lists	552.70	
Miscellaneous Election Expenses	40.02	
Office Expense & Supplies	<u>280.82</u>	
		5,808.15

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ASSESSORS:

Board Salaries	4,480.50	
Clerical	7,038.00	
Telephone	217.79	
Photostats	318.75	
Office Expense & Supplies	1,052.81	
Travel	848.52	
Assessor's Engineering	<u>900.00</u>	
		14,856.37

LAW AND CLAIMS:

Salary of Town Counsel	3,300.00	
Town Counsel Office Expense	132.88	
Special Legal Services	<u>1,447.50</u>	
		4,880.38

LICENSE COMMISSION EXPENSES:

Travel	108.10	
Office Expense & Supplies	<u>21.70</u>	
		129.80

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MEMORIAL HALL:

Custodian's Salary	1,297.80	
Electricity & Water	191.77	
Building Repairs	104.15	
General Supplies	<u>84.89</u>	
		1,678.61

PALMER TOWN BUILDING:

Custodian's Salary	2,987.00	
Care of Grounds - Labor	545.60	
Lights/Heat/Power	4,775.98	
General Bldg. Supplies/Expenses	542.32	
Miscellaneous Repairs	161.85	
Art. 12-1973 - Unpaid bills of previous years	<u>72.00</u>	9,084.75

TOWN ENGINEER:

Salary		4,800.00
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FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Salary of Secretary	350.00	
Office Expense & Supplies	<u>518.21</u>	868.21

PLANNING BOARD:

Salary of Secretary	225.00	
Office Expense	128.37	
Telephone	197.62	
Printing- Zoning Booklets/Maps	<u>1,061.00</u>	1,611.99

BOARD OF APPEALS:

Expenses		161.11
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CHARTER PETITION COMMISSION EXPENSES	2,000.00
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CHARTER COMMISSION EXPENSES	5,974.54
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TOWN MODERATOR	100.00
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PALMER INDUSTRIAL PARK URBAN RENEWAL	1,200,000.00
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TOTAL FOR GENERAL GOVERNMENT	\$1,323,679.84
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PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

POLICE:

Salary of Chief	16,192.80
Patrolmen	160,598.36
Clerical	11,536.12
Matron Services	291.45
School Crossing Guards	12,878.75
Court Prosecutor	3,000.00
Clothing & Equipment for Men	2,097.77
Gas and Oil	7,075.81
Radio Repairs	900.45
Maintenance of Cruisers	2,325.08
Electricity	109.21
Telephone	1,013.87
Office Expense & Supplies	941.44
Lock-up Expense (meals, etc.)	62.30

Medical Expense	368.69	
Officer's Ammunition	150.00	
Officer's Training School	521.88	
Law Enforcement - Drugs/Narcotics	<u>90.00</u>	220,153.98
Article 6 - 1973 - Police Cruisers		3,290.59
<u>CIVIL DEFENSE:</u>		
Director's Salary		350.00
<u>FOREST WARDEN:</u>		
Forest Warden's Salary	1,740.70	
Telephone	96.00	
Fires	999.00	
Gas and Oil	113.37	
Supplies & Repairs	182.68	
OUT-OF-DISTRICT Fires	<u>1,665.00</u>	4,796.75
<u>TREE DEPARTMENT:</u>		
Labor	1,026.40	
Trucking	984.00	
Supplies and Repairs	536.98	
Trees for Planting	1,307.50	
Tree & Stump Removal	<u>100.00</u>	3,954.88
<u>BRUSH AND WEED CONTROL:</u>		
Labor	2,041.20	
Trucking	1,932.00	
Supplies and Repairs	<u>155.23</u>	4,128.43
<u>DUTCH ELM DISEASE:</u>		
Labor	1,811.20	
Trucking	1,728.00	
Tree & Stump Removal	506.50	
Supplies and Repairs	524.66	
Equipment Hire	<u>296.00</u>	4,866.36
<u>INSECT PEST CONTROL:</u>		
Labor	1,214.00	
Trucking	1,044.00	
Supplies and Repairs	<u>229.69</u>	2,487.69
<u>SEALER:</u>		
Salary	1,030.00	
Telephone	68.57	
Travel	367.70	
Office Expense & Supplies	<u>111.25</u>	1,577.52
<u>DOG OFFICER:</u>		
Salary	1,000.00	
Boarding of Dogs	1,234.00	
Destroying of Dogs	422.00	

Telephone	96.00	
Travel	127.40	
Miscellaneous Supplies	<u>95.86</u>	2,975.26
GAS INSPECTOR		500.00
TOWN FIRE ENGINEERS		75.00
CONSERVATION COMMISSION EXPENSES		159.28
WIRE INSPECTOR - SALARY & EXPENSES		400.00
TOTAL FOR PROTECTION OF PERSONS & PROPERTY		\$ 249,715.74

HEALTH AND SANITATION

HEALTH, BOARD OF:

Board Salaries	1,618.81	
Agent	412.00	
Office Expense & Supplies	30.48	
Travel	567.49	
Palmer Visiting Nurse Association	6,000.00	
P.H. & T.B. Follow-up Visits -		
Palmer Visiting Nurse	162.00	
Clinics	1,610.00	
Plumbing Inspector - Salary & Expenses	700.00	
Vermine Control -		
Salary	300.00	
Expenses	48.00	
Rat Bait	142.14	
Milk Inspection -		
Salary	200.00	
Medical Supplies	36.50	
Parochial School Doctor	250.00	
Animal Inspection	750.00	
Clerical	<u>515.00</u>	13,342.42

TOWN DUMP:

Caretaker's Labor	5,160.50	
Equipment Operator	1,795.50	
Equipment Hire	8,257.25	
Lubricants & Gas	42.78	
Repairs to Equipment	307.03	
Lights/Heat/Power	260.84	
Fill	<u>799.05</u>	16,622.95

GARBAGE COLLECTION		20,400.00
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SEWER TRUNKMAIN CLEANING:

Equipment Hire	512.00	
Materials/Supplies	<u>3,337.26</u>	3,849.26

GENERAL SEWER MAINTENANCE:

Sewer Line Rights	30.00	
Equipment Hire	30.00	
Equipment & Supplies	1,258.19	
Pipe & Fittings	1,957.54	
Cleaning Catch Basins	<u>4,275.00</u>	7,550.73
1973 - Art. 47 - Spring St. - A Material & Supplies		309.16
1973 - Art. 48 - Main St. - C Material & Supplies		103,394.50
1973 - Art. 17 - RAP, Inc.		5,666.60
TOTAL FOR HEALTH AND SANITATION		\$ 171,135.62

HIGHWAYS

HIGHWAY SALARIES	96,455.23
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GENERAL HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE:

Supt.	114.96	
Labor	2,702.48	
Clerk	638.00	
Gas/Oil/Fuel	6,886.90	
Telephone	440.46	
Lights/Heat/Power	742.60	
Equipment Hire	120.00	
Office Expense & Supplies	613.68	
Supplies/Equipment/Repairs	14,589.30	
Painting - Cross Walks/Parking Lines	326.80	
Painting - Center Line Road	684.26	
Diesel Fuel Tax	196.87	
Town Barn Maintenance & Supplies	<u>113.40</u>	28,169.71
Art. 6 - 1973 Highway Equipment		48,107.00

STREETS AND SIGNS:

Pipe	524.28	
Material & Supplies	351.06	
Signs	329.04	
Repairs to Traffic Lights	460.70	
Electricity	<u>1,532.74</u>	3,197.82
Bridge Maintenance		503.32
1972 - Art. 46 - Foster St. - A Material & Supplies		2,869.84
1973 - Art. 30 - Cedar Hill St. - A Material & Supplies		7,210.44
1973 - Art. 34 - Lawrence St. - A Material & Supplies		16,611.51

1973 - Art. 37 - Pine St. - A Material & Supplies	7,092.19
1973 - Art. 38 - Rondeau Road - B Material & Supplies	5,734.94
1973 - Art. 39 - Chudy St. - C Material & Supplies	2,095.72
1973 - Art. 41 - Overlook St. - C Material & Supplies	5,583.39
1973 - Art. 42 - State St. - D Material & Supplies	4,384.73
1973 - Art. 43-C - Thorndike St. - A Material & Supplies	1,377.22
1973 - Art. 42-D - River St. - B Material & Supplies	878.24
1973 - Art. 43-F - Church St. - B Material & Supplies	849.22
1973 - Art. 43-H - Springfield St. - C Material & Supplies	<u>662.00</u>
TOTAL FOR HIGHWAYS	231,782.52

SIDEWALKS AND CURBS

GENERAL MAINTENANCE:

Supplies & Repairs	2,463.73
1970 - Art. 51-D Main St. - A Material & Supplies	2,665.83
1972 - Art. 52-S State St. - D Material & Supplies	2,202.93
1973 - Art. 45-A Fairview St. - A Material & Supplies	606.66
1973 - Art. 45-B Main St. - A Material & Supplies	1,508.03
1973 - Art. 45-D Main St. - D Material & Supplies	285.84
1973 - Art. 45-E State St. - D	<u>7.41</u>
TOTAL FOR SIDEWALKS AND CURBS	9,740.43

SURFACE TREATMENT OF STREETS WITH
BITUMINOUS MATERIALS:

Sand	950.34	
Gravel	76.36	
Liquid Bituminous Material	5,258.67	
Concrete Bituminous Material	4,256.52	
Miscellaneous	<u>80.94</u>	10,622.83

SNOW REMOVAL:

Equipment Hire	2,111.25	
Repairs/Tools/Equipment	5,942.64	
Gas/Oil	1,491.91	
Salt	11,284.31	
Sand	1,421.72	
Town of Wilbraham (plowing)	146.00	
Miscellaneous Expense	<u>158.76</u>	22,556.59

STREET LIGHTING 31,749.40

1971 - Art. 37 - Chapter 90 Construction-
Thorndike/Ware Streets - A:

Supt.	960.00	
Labor	5,808.24	
Material/Supplies	715.54	
Equipment Hire	4,356.00	
Gas/Oil	439.28	
Engineering Survey	420.00	
Pipe	<u>3,821.03</u>	16,520.09

1972 - Art. 29 - Chapter 90 Construction-
Ware St. - A:

Supt.	200.00	
Labor	976.40	
Gas/Oil	<u>28.25</u>	1,204.65

1973 - Art. 22 - Traffic Signals for School Zones 4,299.58

1973 - Art. 23 - Traffic Control Signals -
Park/Central Streets - A 1,568.55

Channel Dredging - Quaboag River - C 2,999.00

CHARITIES AND SOLDIER'S BENEFITS

VETERAN'S BENEFITS:

Salary of Agent	8,381.00	
Clerical	534.00	
Administrative Expenses	255.13	
Emergency Provisions	456.00	
Telephone	249.52	
Hospital, Medical, Dental	15,331.75	
Art. 12 - 1973 - Unpaid Bills of Previous Years	6,147.93	

Ordinary Allowances	23,338.13
Blue Cross - Blue Shield	786.60
Grave Markers	<u>25.05</u>

55,505.11

SCHOOLS

SCHOOLS, operation of:

Administration - Salaries	45,482.67
Administration - Expenses	4,279.34
Instruction - Salaries	1,445,661.39
Instruction - Expenses	188,357.08
Health	13,217.52
Custodians	82,541.11
Operation & Maintenance of Plant	83,846.46
Other School Services	152,171.74
Insurance	20,197.78
Community Service	36.00
Equipment	15,683.15
Trade School Expenses	28,685.52
Tuition	1,335.00
Repairs	50,503.14
Rental - St. Ann's School	3,336.00
Rental - St. Thomas Parish Center	3,260.00
Building Aides	38,870.94
Group Life Insurance	2,272.64
Blue Cross - Blue Shield	<u>28,448.96</u>

2,208,186.44

SCHOOLS, other expenses:

School Lunch - Salaries	41,749.72
School Lunch - Expenses	111,904.83
School Athletics	4,972.53
PL 89-10 Title I	15,064.70
PL 89-10 Title I	313.56
PL 89-511 Title II	6,561.81
PL 85-864 Title III	9,808.31
PL 89-10 Title I	9,151.52
ESEA Title I	<u>1,925.00</u>

201,451.98

1967 - Art. 4 - Preliminary Expenses

4.41

PATHFINDER REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL
HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

264,537.12

1973 - Art. 24 - Heat Detectors - Relocatables - A
(4) Elementary Schools & Town Building

27.97

PALMER PUBLIC LIBRARY

45,520.00

PARKS, RECREATION AND CELEBRATIONS

PARKS:

Labor	32,006.76	
Trucking	1,173.00	
Truck Insurance	195.14	
Truck Repairs/Expenses	854.63	
Supplies/Repairs	4,702.98	
Gas and Oil	975.25	
Electricity/Water	758.04	
Telephone	203.30	
Equipment Hire	171.00	
Misc. Playground Equipment	999.80	
Maint. - New Burleigh Park	135.77	
Appraisal - Water St. Land	750.00	
Interest - Inez B. Fuller Fund	<u>119.85</u>	43,045.52

1973 - Art. 6 - PARK EQUIPMENT 2,124.35

MAINTENANCE OF GROUNDS - PEE WEE PARK:

Labor	967.20	
Equipment and Supplies	<u>232.80</u>	1,200.00

RECREATION:

Labor	10,901.95	
Transportation	3,017.10	
Travel	117.90	
Recreation Supplies & Equipment	<u>2,641.69</u>	16,678.64

MEMORIAL DAY PARADE 812.41

1973 - Art. 13 - Pee Wee Baseball Midget -League Umpires 787.00

1973 - Art. 14 - Palmer Cowboy Football Team 1,300.00

TOTAL FOR PARKS, RECREATION & CELEBRATIONS 65,947.92

CEMETERIES:

Labor	18,467.41	
Salary of Secretary	1,500.00	
Trucking	1,020.00	
Electricity/Water	22.73	
Gas and Oil	127.14	
General Supplies & Repairs	571.82	
Snow Removal	135.00	
New Equipment	<u>2,390.00</u>	24,234.10

PENSIONS

County Retirement Assessment 68,209.61

INSURANCE

Blue Cross - Blue Shield	18,557.52	
Group Life Insurance	1,655.82	
General Insurance	<u>21,201.69</u>	41,415.03

UNCLASSIFIED

Town Reports	2,405.94	
County Aid to Agriculture	75.00	
Anticipation of Serial Bond Loan - Urban Renewal	600,000.00	
Anticipation of Revenue Loan	2,000,000.00	
Lower Pioneer Valley Planning Commission	1,401.60	
Pioneer Valley Air Pollution Control	986.79	
1973 - Art. 15 - Conservation Fund	5,000.00	
Certificate of Deposit - Cash	350,000.00	
Federal Revenue Sharing	81,537.00	
Interest - Conservation Fund	797.13	
Police - Off Duty Work Detail	<u>6,316.87</u>	3,048,520.33

INTEREST AND MATURING DEBT

INTEREST:

Tax Anticipation Notes	38,174.98	
School Bonds	10,800.00	
Thorndike St. Sewer Bonds	2,918.40	
Three Rivers Flood Control	4,265.63	
Urban Renewal Project	11,174.03	
Relocatable Classrooms	<u>4,487.32</u>	71,820.36

MATURING DEBT:

Principal - School Bonds	40,000.00	
Prin. - Thorndike St. Sewer	6,400.00	
Prin. - Three Rivers Flood Control	17,500.00	
Prin. - Relocatable Classrooms	<u>29,253.89</u>	93,153.89

STATE AND COUNTY

County Tax	113,099.92	
State Recreation Areas	36,736.33	
Audit - Municipal Accounts	131.71	
State Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Bills	<u>1,102.20</u>	151,070.16

REFUNDS

ON TAXES:

Real Estate	9,469.09
Motor Vehicle Excise	6,327.31

GENERAL:

Health Insurance	158.24	
Trailer Coach Fees - Overpayment	390.00	
All Other	<u>26.05</u>	16,370.69
DOG LICENSES TO COUNTY		3,539.15

TRUST

Payroll Withholdings:

Federal	302,835.71	
State	87,110.84	
County Retirement	28,030.66	
Blue Cross	53,793.52	
Group Life Insurance	4,564.44	
Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund	<u>2,200.00</u>	478,535.17
TOTAL CASH DISBURSEMENTS		\$8,915,624.28
Cash on hand, December 31, 1973		<u>576,642.64</u>
TOTAL		\$9,492,266.92

BONDED INDEBTEDNESS

Maturity Year	1962 High School Addition	1962 T.R.Flood Project	1970 Thorndike St. Sewer	1972 Portable Classrooms	1973 Main St. T.R. Sewer	Total
1974	40,000.00	17,500.00	6,400.00	29,100.00	14,000.00	107,000.00
1975	40,000.00	17,500.00	6,400.00	29,100.00	11,000.00	104,000.00
1976	40,000.00	17,500.00	6,400.00	29,100.00	11,000.00	104,000.00
1977	40,000.00	17,500.00	6,400.00		11,000.00	74,900.00
1978	40,000.00	17,500.00	6,400.00		11,000.00	74,900.00
1979	40,000.00	17,500.00	6,400.00		11,000.00	74,900.00
1980	40,000.00		6,400.00		11,000.00	57,400.00
1981	30,000.00				11,000.00	41,000.00
1982	30,000.00				11,000.00	41,000.00
1983					11,000.00	11,000.00
	340,000.00	105,000.00	44,800.00	87,300.00	113,000.00	690,100.00

FINANCE COMMITTEE TRANSFERS

Appropriation
 (18-Month Period 1-1-73 - 6-30-74) \$45,000.00

<u>RESERVE TRANSFERS</u>	
<u>Department</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Accounting Clerical	650.00
Assessors' Other Expenses	250.00
General Insurance	7,400.00
Interest on Tax Anticipation	
Notes	7,000.00
Out-of District Fires	1,000.00
Planning Board Other Expenses	1,000.00
Quaboag River Channel	
Dredging	3,000.00
Sealer's Other Expenses	123.30
Selectmen's Other Expenses	2,150.00
Street Lighting	1,100.00
Tax Collector's Other Expenses	<u>1,145.00</u>
Total transferred through December 31, 1973	<u>24,818.30</u>
Balance	20,181.70

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

	18mo. Appro. (as modified) Jan. 1973- <u>June 1974</u>	Expen- ditures <u>1973</u>	Estimated Expendi- tures -Jan. <u>June 1974</u>
<u>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</u>			
<u>SELECTMEN:</u>			
Salaries	6,390.00	4,218.00	2,172.00
Salary of Secretary	3,575.40	2,360.00	1,215.40
Other Expenses	9,738.00	6,653.17	2,832.00
Out-of-State Travel	75.00		
Contingent Account	1,500.00	531.45	525.00
<u>ACCOUNTANT:</u>			
Salary	15,188.63	10,025.50	5,163.13
Clerical	6,020.30	3,657.02	2,363.28
Other Expenses	630.00	345.82	232.00
Out-of-State Travel	100.00		100.00
<u>TREASURER:</u>			
Salary	15,832.00	10,450.00	5,382.00
Clerical	8,625.50	5,334.95	3,290.55
Other Expenses	16,115.00	3,679.39	12,419.00
<u>COLLECTOR:</u>			
Salary	10,768.50	7,108.00	3,660.50
Clerical	9,682.00	5,191.73	4,490.27
Other Expenses	5,950.00	4,223.41	3,510.00
<u>TOWN CLERK:</u>			
Salary	5,010.00	3,312.00	1,698.00
Clerical	7,356.00	3,599.96	3,756.04
Other Expenses	1,984.00	1,035.53	632.00
<u>ELECTION & REGISTRATION:</u>			
Registrars Salaries	1,854.00	1,197.38	656.62
Other Expenses	8,210.00	4,610.77	4,260.00
<u>ASSESSORS:</u>			
Salaries	6,787.50	4,480.50	2,307.00
Clerical	10,663.00	7,038.00	3,625.00
Other Expenses	4,150.00	2,437.87	1,731.00
Mapping & Engineering	1,350.00	900.00	450.00
<u>TOWN COUNSEL:</u>			
Salary	5,050.00	3,300.00	1,750.00
Law & Claims O.E.	3,850.00	132.88	1,575.00
Outside Legal Services	3,000.00	1,447.50	1,500.00
Out-of-State Travel	100.00		

18mo.Appro. (as modified) Jan. 1973- June	18mo.Appro. (as modified) Jan. 1973- June 1974	Expen- ditures 1973	Estimated Expendi- tures -Jan. June 1974
<u>LICENSE COMMISSION:</u>			
Expenses	300.00	129.80	140.00
<u>MEMORIAL HALL:</u>			
Custodian's Salary	1,946.70	1,297.80	648.90
Other Expenses	1,395.00	369.11	1,065.00
<u>PALMER TOWN BUILDING:</u>			
Custodian's Salary	4,480.50	2,937.00	1,493.50
Care of Grounds	975.00	545.60	425.00
Other Expenses	10,065.00	5,480.15	3,870.00
1973-Art. 12 - Unpaid Bills - Previous Years	72.00	72.00	
<u>ENGINEERING:</u>			
Town Engineer - Salary & Expenses	7,200.00	4,800.00	2,400.00
Consulting Engineer	6,000.00		6,000.00
<u>FINANCE COMMITTEE:</u>			
Expenses	1,505.00	868.21	565.00
<u>PLANNING BOARD:</u>			
Salary of Clerk	450.00	225.00	150.00
Expenses	2,690.00	1,386.99	450.00
<u>BOARD OF APPEALS:</u>			
Expenses	975.00	161.11	335.00
<u>PALMER REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY</u>			
	7,500.00		
<u>CHARTER COMMISSION</u>			
	10,000.00	5,974.54	4,100.00
<u>MODERATOR</u>			
	150.00	100.00	50.00
<u>PROTECTION OF PERSONS & PROPERTY</u>			
<u>POLICE DEPARTMENT:</u>			
Salaries	318,166.54	204,362.03	113,800.00
Other Expenses	22,962.00	15,947.95	7,537.00
Cruisers	11,800.00	3,290.00	8,500.00
<u>CIVIL DEFENSE:</u>			
Salary	525.00	350.00	175.00
Other Expenses	525.00	177.82	175.00

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<u>FOREST WARDEN:</u>			
Salary	2,611.00	1,740.70	870.30
Other Expenses	2,394.00	1,391.05	798.00
Out-of-District Fires	3,250.00	1,665.00	1,585.00
<u>TREE WARDEN:</u>			
Salary	1,350.00	1,026.40	450.00
Other Expenses	5,280.00	2,928.48	2,020.00
<u>BRUSH & WEED CONTROL:</u>			
Labor	3,000.00	2,041.20	1,000.00
Other Expenses	3,100.00	2,087.23	1,000.00
<u>DUTCH ELM DISEASE:</u>			
Labor	2,250.00	1,811.20	750.00
Other Expenses	4,770.00	3,055.16	1,450.00
<u>INSECT PEST CONTROL:</u>			
Labor	1,650.00	1,214.00	550.00
Other Expenses	1,975.00	1,273.69	650.00
<u>SEALER:</u>			
Salary	1,561.00	1,030.00	531.00
Other Expenses	863.30	547.52	240.00
<u>DOG OFFICER:</u>			
Salary	1,500.00	1,000.00	500.00
Other Expenses	3,925.00	1,975.26	1,309.00
<u>GAS INSPECTOR:</u>			
Salary & Expenses	750.00	500.00	250.00
<u>TOWN FIRE ENGINEERS</u>	112.50	75.00	37.50
<u>CONSERVATION COMMISSION:</u>			
Expenses	450.00	159.28	300.00
<u>WIRE INSPECTOR:</u>			
Salary	600.00	400.00	200.00
Other Expenses	75.00		75.00

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<u>HEALTH AND SANITATION</u>			
<u>BOARD OF HEALTH:</u>			
Salaries	2,575.00	1,618.81	875.50
Health Agent's Salary	624.00	412.00	212.00
Other Expenses	8,280.00	3,661.61	2,765.00
<u>MILK INSPECTION:</u>			
Salary	300.00	200.00	100.00
Other Expenses	105.00		35.00
<u>ANIMAL INSPECTION:</u>			
Salary & Expenses	1,125.00	750.00	375.00
<u>VITAL STATISTICS</u>	450.00		150.00
<u>PALMER VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION</u>	9,000.00	6,000.00	3,000.00
<u>PLUMBING INSPECTOR:</u>			
Salary & Expenses	1,050.00	700.00	350.00
<u>TOWN DUMP</u>	22,721.25	17,399.27	10,693.78
<u>GARBAGE COLLECTION</u>	30,900.00	20,400.00	10,500.00
<u>WING MEMORIAL HOSPITAL FUND</u>	3,000.00		3,000.00
<u>ART.17- 1973 - RAP, INC. OF PALMER</u>	8,500.00	5,666.60	2,833.40
<u>SEWER TRUNKMAIN CLEANING</u>	6,000.00	3,849.26	2,000.00
<u>GENERAL SEWER MAINTENANCE</u>	14,275.00	7,470.73	6,425.00
1973-Art.47- Spring St. A	390.00	309.16	
1973-Art. 48 - Main St. - C	113,000.00	103,394.50	12,605.50
<u>HIGHWAYS AND SIDEWALKS</u>			
<u>HIGHWAY DEPT. SALARIES</u>	182,610.54	96,455.23	63,775.20
<u>GEN. HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE</u>	59,527.00	28,169.71	18,332.00
<u>STREETS AND SIGNS</u>	6,350.00	3,197.82	2,150.00
<u>ART. 6- 1973 - HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT</u>	51,400.00	48,107.00	
<u>BRIDGE MAINTENANCE</u>	3,580.00	503.32	1,235.00

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<u>ART. 27-1973 - CHAP. 90</u> <u>MAINTENANCE</u>	5,000.00		5,000.00
<u>ART. 28-1973 - CHAP. 90</u> <u>CONSTRUCTION</u>	8,800.00		8,800.00
<u>ART. 46 - 1972 - FOSTER ST. - A</u>		2,869.84	2,869.84
<u>ART. 30 - 1973 - CEDAR HILL ST. - A</u>	7,600.00	7,210.44	
<u>ART. 31 - 1973 - FLYNT ST. - A</u>	26,500.00		26,500.00
<u>ART. 34 - 1973 - LAWRENCE ST. A</u>	18,000.00	16,611.51	
<u>ART. 35 - 1973 - MASON ST. - A</u> (Boston Rd. to Nipmuck St.)	16,000.00		16,000.00
<u>ART. 36 - 1973 - MASON ST. - A</u> (100 ft. at Peterson property)	1,500.00		1,500.00
<u>ART. 37 - 1973 - PINE ST. - A</u>	8,700.00	7,092.19	
<u>ART. 38 - 1973 - RONDEAU RD. - B</u>	7,000.00	5,734.94	
<u>ART. 39 - 1973 - CHUDY ST. - C</u>	2,100.00	2,095.72	
<u>ART. 40 - 1973 - NORTH ST. - C</u>	13,000.00		13,000.00
<u>ART. 41 - 1973 - OVERLOOK ST. - C</u>	5,600.00	5,583.39	
<u>ART. 42 - 1973 - STATE ST. - D</u>	4,600.00	4,384.73	
<u>ART. 43-B - 1973 - CONANT ST. - A</u>	2,000.00		2,000.00
<u>ART. 43-C - 1973 - THORNDIKE ST. - A</u>	2,650.00	1,377.22	
<u>ART. 43-D - 1973 - RIVER ST. - B</u>	1,170.00	878.24	
<u>ART. 43-F - 1973 - CHURCH ST. - B</u>	1,000.00	849.22	
<u>ART. 43-G - 1973 - RIVER ST. - B</u>	7,000.00		7,000.00
<u>ART. 43-H - 1973 - SPRINGFIELD ST.</u> <u>C</u>	700.00	662.00	
<u>ART. 44-D - 1973 - RIVER ST. - B</u>	500.00		500.00
<u>ART. 22 - 1973 - TRAFFIC SIGNALS</u> <u>FOR SCHOOL ZONES</u>	6,000.00	4,299.58	
<u>ART. 23 - 1973 - TRAFFIC CONTROL</u> <u>SIGNALS - PARK/CENTRAL STS. - A</u>	20,000.00	1,568.55	18,431.45

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<u>GENERAL SIDEWALK MAINTENANCE</u>	7,500.00	2,463.93	2,500.00
Art. 51-D - 1973 - Main St. - A	2,700.00	2,665.83	
Art. 45-A - 1973 - Fairview St. - A	660.00	606.66	
Art. 45-B - 1973 - Main St. - A	1,633.00	1,508.03	
Art. 45-D - 1973 - Main St. - D	500.00	285.84	
Art. 45-E - 1973 - State St. - D	100.00	7.41	
<u>SURFACE TREATMENT OF STREETS WITH BITUMINOUS MATERIALS</u>	20,500.00	10,622.83	7,000.00
Channel Dredging - Quaboag River-C	3,000.00	2,999.00	
<u>SNOW REMOVAL</u>	43,800.00	22,556.59	14,600.00
<u>STREET LIGHTING</u>	52,398.52	31,749.40	17,432.84
<u>VETERAN'S DEPARTMENT:</u>			
Veteran's Agent Salary	12,698.00	8,381.00	4,317.00
Veteran's Clerical	900.00	534.00	300.00
Veteran's Benefits	67,440.00	39,912.48	21,440.00
Veteran's Other Expenses	1,060.00	529.70	360.00
Art. 12 - 1973 - Unpaid Bills of Previous Years	6,148.13	6,147.93	
Rent - World War I Vets	150.00	100.00	50.00
<u>EDUCATION:</u>			
Public Schools - Support and Maintenance	3,500,463.61	2,208,186.44	1,292,277.17
Art. 24 - 1973 - Heat Detectors	19,780.00	27.97	19,752.03
Pathfinder Regional Vocational Technical High School District	396,805.70	264,537.12	132,268.56
Palmer Public Library	68,137.00	45,520.00	22,617.00
<u>PARKS, RECREATION AND CELEBRATIONS</u>			
Park Salaries	50,769.56	32,006.76	17,180.58
Park Other Expenses	20,113.35	13,043.26	6,473.00
Pee Wee Park - Maintenance of Grounds	1,800.00	1,200.00	600.00
Recreation - Salaries	12,698.98	10,901.95	1,255.98
Recreation - Other Expenses	8,650.00	5,776.69	2,800.00
Art. 6 - 1973 - Park Equipment	2,124.35	2,124.35	
Art. 21 - 1973 - <u>Annual Twn. Mtg.</u> 3/12.73 - Purchase of Mary Rose Coen Property - Water St. - A	15,000.00		15,000.00
Memorial Day Observance	1,700.00	812.41	850.00
Art. 13 - 1973 - Pee Wee Midget League	1,600.00	787.00	800.00
Art. 14 - 1973 - Palmer Cowboy Football Team	1,300.00	1,300.00	

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<u>CEMETERIES:</u>			
Labor	29,257.13	18,467.41	9,813.93
Salary of Secretary	2,250.00	1,500.00	750.00
Other Expenses	7,719.00	4,266.69	2,198.00
<u>PENSIONS:</u>			
County Retirement Assessment	68,209.61	68,209.61	
<u>INSURANCE:</u>			
General Insurance	42,853.16	21,201.69	17,726.58
Blue Cross - Blue Shield	30,000.00	18,557.52	10,000.00
Group Insurance	1,800.00	1,655.82	850.00
<u>UNCLASSIFIED:</u>			
Town Reports	4,895.50	2,405.94	2,500.00
County Aid to Agriculture	75.00	75.00	
Reserve Account	45,000.00	24,818.30	20,000.00
Moderator	150.00	100.00	50.00
Art. 15 - 1973 - Conservation Fund	5,000.00	5,000.00	
<u>INTEREST AND MATURING DEBT</u>			
<u>INTEREST:</u>			
Tax Anticipation Notes	48,000.00	38,174.98	20,000.00
School Bonds	15,900.00	10,800.00	5,100.00
Three Rivers Flood Control Project	7,962.51	4,265.63	3,696.88
Thorndike St. Sewer Bonds	5,472.00	2,918.40	2,553.60
Palmer Industrial Park Urban Renewal	93,837.50	11,174.03	79,837.50
Relocatable Classrooms	7,848.37	4,487.32	3,361.05
<u>PRINCIPAL:</u>			
School Bonds	80,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00
Three Rivers Flood Control Project	35,000.00	17,500.00	17,500.00
Thorndike St. Sewer Bonds	12,800.00	6,400.00	6,400.00
Relocatable Classrooms	58,353.89	29,253.89	29,100.00

REPORT OF THE REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

The year 1973 was a particularly important and active year for the Palmer Redevelopment Authority.

The PRA held its organizational meeting on March 14, 1973 with the following results recorded:

Neil M. McDonald, Chairman
Charles A. Ramadon, Vice Chairman
Stanley J. Strzemienski, Treasurer
Eugene S. Wright, Asst. Treasurer
Mary C. Krawiec, Secretary

The Authority proceeded with its work on the Palmer Industrial Park throughout the year. Meetings were held throughout the year with a variety of local boards, Mass. Department of Community Affairs, U.S. Department of Commerce - Economic Development Administration, Central Vermont Railroad and many others in order that all phases of the industrial development program be closely coordinated in order to accomplish efficient and expeditious completion.

All land needed as part of the Palmer Industrial Park was acquired during the year. The Authority's engineers, Tibbetts Engineering Inc., New Bedford, Mass. proceeded with the preparation of final design plans and specifications for the actual construction of the 160.5 acre industrial park.

In October, 1973 construction bids were opened resulting in the awarding of the general contract to Suburban Excavators, Inc., Wakefield, Mass. Work began on the park on November 5, 1973. Because of unusually good weather, the contractor was able to get a fast start on the work, resulting in about 10% of the work being complete by the end of the year. It is expected that the Palmer Industrial Park will be fully constructed by mid-July, 1974.

In another phase of the Authority's work, that of fulfilling its obligation to bring industry and jobs to Palmer, the PRA met with a high degree of success. On July 24, 1973, Universal Financial Investment Corporation, UFIC, headed by Mr. Joe H. Schaeffer, Jr., signed an option agreement with the PRA, to purchase the entire park. As part of this agreement, UFIC committed its resources to an intensive national campaign to bring industry and jobs to Palmer.

The option, which is to be exercised on March 1, 1974, requires that a minimum of 175 jobs be committed to the park by that date and that at full development of the 160 acres, a minimum of 750 jobs will be in Palmer.

The Authority, in approaching the development of the Park in this manner, hopes not only to bring in the jobs and industrial tax base to the community in the long run, but also hopes to be able to recoup much of the Town's financial commitment to the construction of the Park.

The Authority, at this point, is sure that the citizens of Palmer will be proud of the resultant benefits to the Town as a result of the undertaking of this most important industrial development program.

In another area, the Palmer Redevelopment Authority was fortunate to receive a grant in the amount of \$67,500 from the Commonwealth of Mass. for the planning of a commercial redevelopment program in downtown Palmer, provided the Town of Palmer appropriate its 25% share of the planning costs.

The planning program was designed to improve traffic flow, parking, landscaping and the renovation of specific commercial buildings. The PRA's objective was to improve the commercial tax base of the community and to make downtown Palmer a better and more attractive place in which to conveniently shop.

On December 10, 1973 at a Special Town Meeting, the voters were asked to raise and appropriate \$14,500 as the remainder of its local cash share. The request was ultimately turned down by the voters.

Authority staff included during the year 1973 were the following:

Neal D. Hannon - Executive Director
Elaine M. Koziol - Secretary
Edman J. Gleed resigned February 1973
J. Richard Willauer resigned October 1973

Consultants:

Dr. Ronald F. Stinnett, Washington, D. C.
Tibbetts Engineering Co., Inc., New Bedford, Mass.
John Brown Associates, Boston, Mass.

The Authority thanks all those who worked so closely with us in making the Palmer Industrial Park a reality and looks forward to continued coordination and cooperation in the future in order that we all may work to build "The New Palmer".

1974

PALMER TOWN WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampden, ss:

Town of Palmer

To either of the Constables of the Town of Palmer in said County.

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn all the inhabitants of the Town of Palmer qualified to vote in elections of town officers to meet at the several polling places in said Palmer, designated by the Selectmen, to wit: In Precinct A at the Palmer High School; in Precinct B, at the Thorndike Grammar School; in Precinct C, at the Three Rivers Grammar School; and in Precinct D, at the Bondsville Grammar School, on Monday, the fourth day of March, 1974, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to give in their votes on one ballot to the Town, for the following officers:

For a term of one (1) year:

- One (1) Town Treasurer
- One (1) Tax Collector
- One (1) Board of Health Member
- Three (3) Selectmen
- Three (3) License Commissioners
- Five (5) Park Commissioners

For a term of two (2) years:

- One (1) Planning Board Member

For a term of three (3) years:

- One (1) Assessor
- One (1) Board of Health Member
- One (1) Cemetery Commissioner
- Two (2) School Committeemen

For a term of five (5) years:

- Two (2) Planning Board Members
- One (1) Palmer Housing Authority Member

Also to vote by ballot, which shall be "yes" or "no" upon the following questions:

REFERENDUM

1. M.G.L.A. Chapter 32-B, Section 7-A. Shall the town, in addition to the payment of fifty percent of a premium for contributory group life and health insurance for employees in the service of the town and their dependents, pay a subsidiary or additional rate?

Yes	
No	

2. "Shall this town approve the new charter recommended by the charter commission summarized below?"

Yes	
No	

The Charter retains the open town meeting and a three member Board of Selectmen. New procedures for town meeting insure that votes will not be taken with a small number of members present. These include the setting of a quorum at 75 for the annual town meeting and 35 for special town meetings. A 10:30 deadline is set for the conduct of business. The Selectmen's terms are lengthened to three years and one Selectman shall be elected each year. The office of executive secretary is defined to increase assistance to the Selectmen in town government management. A Personnel committee is formed to hear grievances and prepare job descriptions for city employees. A full-time town engineer is created to improve the efficiency of public works design and maintenance. Recall elections are provided for. Date of the annual town meeting moved to the fourth Monday in April to be nearer the start of the fiscal year in July. The size of the Finance Committee has been reduced to 35 members.

The polls will be open at ten o'clock in the forenoon and will be closed at eight o'clock in the evening.

And you are further required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Palmer, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Palmer High School, Converse Street in said Palmer, on Monday, the eleventh day of March, A.D., 1974, at seven o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

Article 1. To choose all usual Town Officers.

Article 2. To hear and act on reports of committees.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning July 1, 1974, in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money as permitted by law to meet any appropriations made or expenses incurred under any article of the warrant.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate or transfer from Federal Revenue Sharing Funds, P.L. 92-512 Account and accrued interest, any sum of money for Public Safety, Environmental Protection, Public Transportation, Health, Recreation, Libraries, Social Services for the Poor and Aged, Financial Administration or Ordinary Capital Expenditures authorized by law.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise money and make appropriations to defray the expenses of the Town for the ensuing year.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell at public auction, after first giving notice of the time and place of sale by posting such notice of sale in some convenient and public place in the Town, and by advertising once in a local newspaper, fourteen days at least before the sale, property taken by the Town under Tax Title procedure, provided that the Selectmen or whomsoever they may authorize to hold such auction may reject any bid which they deem inadequate, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell at public auction, after first giving notice of the time and place of sale by posting such notice of sale in some convenient and public place in the Town, and by advertising once in a local newspaper, fourteen days at least before the sale, or at private sale, any old and obsolete equipment of personal property, provided that the Selectmen or whomsoever they may authorize to hold such auction or sale may reject any bid which they deem inadequate, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to the Reserve Fund, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate any sum of money from Free Cash to reduce the fiscal year 1974-1975 tax levy or take any action relative thereto.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer any sum of money from the State Aid to Free Libraries Account to the use of the Palmer Public Library, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money for unpaid bills of previous years.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to defray the expenses of the Palmer Midget Baseball League or take any action relative thereto.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to defray the expenses of the Palmer Pee Wee Cowboy Football Team or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 or any other sum for the Conservation Fund for purposes as described in General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 8C, as amended and Chapter 132A, Section 11, and any amendments thereto to be used by the Conservation Commission with the approval of the Selectmen, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to defray the operating expenses of Rap, Inc. of Palmer, said appropriation authorized under the provisions of Clause (40C), Section 5, Chapter 40 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth or take any action relative thereto.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to transfer any sum of money from the Overlay Reserve to the Reserve Account.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to be paid to Gold Cross Eastern Ambulance Service, Inc. for ambulance service in the Town of Palmer.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to rescind the vote under Article 33 of the annual town meeting of February 10, 1969 which provided for the annual town meeting on the first Monday of March, and vote to hold the annual town meeting hereafter on the third Monday in April.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money for engineering costs necessary for land acquisition, site development and operational plans and specifications for the proposed Sanitary Landfill site on the Alexander W. Tobiasz property on Emery Street, Precinct D, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000.00 for Engineering Services to update the preliminary report on the Town's Water Pollution Control Project which was prepared in December, 1970.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate any sum of money from the Comprehensive Local Transportation Aid Account, Highway Construction Bond Allocation, under Chapter 1140 of the Acts of 1973 for the construction, reconstruction, and resurfacing of local streets. Eligible items include sidewalk construction, landscaping, tree planting, roadside drainage, bridges, traffic control devices, bicycle paths, intersection construction, land takings, and related professional services.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate any sum of money from the Comprehensive Local Trans-

portation Aid Account, Direct Appropriation of Highway Funds, under Chapter 1140 of the Acts of 1973 for the operation and maintenance of local streets. Eligible items include Highway related administrative expenses, salaries for local engineering, public works and police personnel engaged in traffic operations, highway maintenance expenditures and highway construction expenditures.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90, Highway Maintenance, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to reconstruct Warren Street, Palmer, Precinct A, from the intersection of Route 32 as far as funds will permit, and raise and appropriate by taxation or otherwise any sum of money therefor, said sum to be used in conjunction with monies allotted by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the County of Hampden, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to resurface Rathbone Street, Precinct A and its approaches or take any action relative thereto.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to reconstruct and resurface Olney Road, Precinct B with Type I materials and provide adequate drainage for 1000 feet south from Rondeau Road or take any action relative thereto.

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to reconstruct and resurface with oil and sand section of Rondeau Road, Precinct B, from end of 1973 section to property of Stephen Fijal or take any action relative thereto.

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to install Type I pavement and berm where needed on Elizabeth St., Precinct B, from the end of the present improved surface southwesterly to the turnaround at the end of said street and to install Type I pavement and berm on Darryl Circle from Elizabeth St. southeasterly a distance of 300 feet or take any action relative thereto.

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money for the reconstruction of Riverside Street, Precinct C with Type I material or take any action relative thereto.

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to reconstruct and resurface Hillside Drive, Precinct D, from the end of 1971 construction southerly for a distance of 800 feet with Type I materials and to provide berms and adequate drainage or take any action relative thereto.

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to reconstruct and resurface with Type I material, Forest Street, Precinct D, and to provide berms and adequate drainage or take any action relative thereto.

Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to install drainage on Flynt Street, Precinct A, in the vicinity of Christine Street to the Massachusetts Turnpike Bridge or take any action relative thereto.

Article 34. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to install proper drainage on Calkins Road, Precinct A near the property of Bruce Vreeland or take any action relative thereto.

Article 35. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to install sewage system on Breckenridge Street, Precinct A, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 36. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to install, maintain and otherwise provide street lighting as follows:

- (a) Install a street light on Pole #10 on Pine Street, Precinct A.
- (b) Install a streetlight on Pole #8 at the intersection of Nipmuck Street and Mason Street, Precinct A.
- (c) Install and/or maintain a street light on Pole #1, Bennett Street, Precinct B.

- (d) Install, maintain and otherwise provide street lighting on Pole #54 on High Street, Precinct B.
- (e) Install, maintain and otherwise provide street lighting on Poles #8, 10, 12 and 14 on Hillside Drive, Precinct D.

Article 37. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 to reconstruct and re-surface Nipmuck Street, Precinct A, with Type I material, from the intersection of Park Street, Route 20, easterly as far as funds will permit and to provide berms and adequate drainage or take any action relative thereto.

Article 38. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following amendment to the zoning by-laws of the Town of Palmer:

Any building or structure which shall be hereafter erected or enlarged, on a lot that abuts a street or roadway which has been assigned a federal or state route number or any street or roadway whereby one of its extremities intersects such a federal or state routed street or roadway, shall be set back at least 50 lineal feet from the street line.

For purposes of this by-law, the street line is defined as the dividing line between a street and a lot, and in the case of a public way, the street line as established by the public authority laying out said way upon which the lot abuts, except that, for the purposes of the set back requirements of this by-law, where the street line is unascertainable, a line twenty-five (25) feet from and parallel to the center line of the street shall be deemed the street line.

Any building existing at the time of the adoption of this by-law which is destroyed by fire, explosion, act of public enemy or act of God may be replaced on its lot regardless providing said new building is equal to or exceeds the fair market value of the original building at the time of the casualty. Said replacement of building must be under construction within one year from the date of the casualty.

Whenever this by-law is in conflict with the provisions of any other by-law of the Town of Palmer, it shall supersede the provision of that by-law.

Article 39. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following amendment to the zoning by-laws of the Town of Palmer:

Any building or structure hereafter erected, except solely for residential purposes, shall be set back at least 50 lineal feet from the street line of any abutting public or private way and, at least 15 lineal feet from the side and rear lot lines.

For purposes of this By-law, the street line is defined as the dividing line between a street and a lot, and in the case of a public way, the street line as established by the public authority laying out said way upon which the lot abuts, except that for the purposes of the set back requirements of this By-Law, where the street line is unascertainable, a line twenty-five (25) feet from and parallel to the center line of the street shall be deemed the street line.

Any building existing at the time of the adoption of this By-Law which is destroyed by fire, explosion, act of public enemy or act of God may be replaced on its lot regardless, providing said new building is equal to or exceeds the fair market value of the original building at the time of the casualty. Said replacement of building must be under construction within one year from the date of the casualty.

Whenever this By-Law is in conflict with the provisions of any other By-Law of the Town of Palmer, it shall supersede the provision of that By-Law.

Article 40. To choose committees and give them instructions.

Article 41. To act on reports of Town Officers.

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof in some one public place in each of the four villages of the Town, known as the Depot Village, Thorndike, Three Rivers and Bondsville, seven days at least before the holding of said meeting and by publishing an attested copy thereof in at least one issue of the Palmer Journal Register, a newspaper published in said Palmer, the publication to be not less than seven days before the holding of said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk at or before the holding of said meeting.

Given under our hands this fifth day of February, A.D. 1974.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

William J. Lemanski

Gordon H. Christiansen

Thomas W. Haley

I have served the foregoing warrant as therein ordered by publishing in the Palmer Journal Register as attested copy thereof in the issue of February 21, 1974, and by posting upon attested copy thereof in one public place in each of the four villages of the Town known as the Depot Village, Thorndike, Three Rivers and Bondsville, to wit: In the Depot Village, Thorndike, Three Rivers and Bondsville Post Office in each of the said villages and in the Town Administration Building.

Clifford Ellithorpe
Constable of the Town of Palmer

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EMERGENCIES

Fire:

Bondsville	283-8389
Palmer	283-3456
Thorndike	283-8386
Three Rivers	283-8386

Hospital	283-7651
Police	283-5609

FOR INFORMATION

Assessors	283-5061
Civil Defense	283-7261
Dog Officer	283-8747
Health Board	283-7622
Highway Department	283-3721
License Commission	283-7261
Park Commission	283-3013
Planning Board	283-9425
Police Department	283-7461

Schools:

Elementary:

Bondsville	283-3961
Park Street	283-3221
Quaboag	283-3371
St. Ann's - Three Rivers	283-9384
Thorndike Grammar - Thorndike	283-5561
Thorndike Street - Palmer	283-8061
Three Rivers Grammar	283-3230

Kindergarten:

St. Thomas Parish Center	283-9148
Palmer High School	283-6511
Pathfinder Regional Vocational-Technical High School	283-9701
Superintendent of Schools	283-9813

Selectmen	283-7261
Tax Collector	283-6272
Town Accountant	283-7261
Town Clerk	283-3711
Town Treasurer	283-7622
Veteran's	283-8011